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HUNGARY TO SIGN AXIS PACT

It is understood in Budapest that Hungary's signature will be added to the Axis-Japan Pact when Count Teleki and Count Csaky, the Premier and Foreign Minister, arrive in Vienna to-day.

It is not expected that there will be any protocols of the pact detailing military cooperation which might be expected to develop between Hungary and the Axis.

In view of the existing co-operation such protocols would be superfluous.

It is pointed out that signature of the pact by Hungary would be a formality. It would enable the Germans to beat their propaganda big drum, and no change in the situation for Hungary is expected.

The two Hungarian Ministers will probably return to Budapest to-morrow.—Reuter.

Spain To Join Axis

— Says Rome Talk

A definite agreement between Spain and the Axis powers, leading to "some form of activity," may be daily expected, the Rome correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten" said yesterday.

Political circles in Rome, it is declared, consider that discussions have now come to an end and developments will follow.

The Berlin correspondent of the same newspaper says that the Wilhelmstrasse is exceedingly reticent in regard to the visit of Senor Suner, the Spanish Foreign Minister, to Germany, but in well-informed circles it is stated that the negotiations with Spain are now completed.—Reuter.

CHANNEL GUNS IN ACTION

GERMAN LONG-RANGE GUNS ON THE FRENCH COAST FIRED ACROSS THE CHANNEL YESTERDAY FOR NEARLY AN HOUR.

There are no reports of any casualties or any damage from the Dover area.—Reuter.

Enormous Toll Of Damage In Mass Raids Of R.A.F.

"HAMBURG HAS LOST ITS VITAL WAR ROLE," WRITES THE MILITARY CORRESPONDENT OF THE "YORKSHIRE POST," ADDING: "THE WEEK-END OPERATIONS ON HAMBURG FORM THE GREATEST AIR EFFORT OF THE WAR ON ONE OBJECTIVE."

BULGARIA DENIES PRESENCE OF NAZI TROOPS

Bulgarian circles in London yesterday denied that there are any German troops in Bulgaria, says Reuter.

The Berne correspondent of the "New York Times" alleged that there were five full divisions in Bulgaria.

"There can be little left of military use in this great port. Naval shipyards and oil storage tanks are wrecked and the works of Blom and Voss extensively damaged."

"Dock sheds have gone up in smoke and sunken ships block the channels. The big oil refinery, with a capacity of 400,000 metric tons, cannot now be of much value."

"The Neuhoef power station is on short time and the slipways of the Isle of Walteschoief have been destroyed with ships and submarines on them."

"Docks produce markets were destroyed earlier, oil tanks blown up, a vegetable oil factory gutted and the Rhenania Ossag works badly damaged."

"Week-end explosions and fires were numerous in grain stores and factories."

Shipping Dead

"Hamburg shipping is a dead

thing, serious industry is at an end and workmen have been drafted elsewhere."

"Military objectives in the city form a large area closely grouped and all that remains is a blackened shell."

"Hamburg as such no longer operates and when our last bombers returned to-day the second city of Germany may be said to have lost its vital role in the war."

"Its railways have been ploughed, the Altona electric works and the Brembech gasworks heavily straddled and traffic in the sorting yards reduced to chaos." — Reuter.

VON PAPEN OPENS WAR OF NERVES IN TURKEY

Political circles in Ankara are now inclined to expect a new Axis campaign of pressure on Turkey as a sequel to the conversations between Hitler and M. Molotov, the Soviet Premier and Foreign Commissar, in Berlin.

According to a despatch from Berlin yesterday the German Ambassador to Turkey, Franz von Papen, told foreign correspondents in the Nazi capital that a rapprochement with the Axis powers, as well as complete restoration of friendly relations with the Soviet Union, has become an urgent problem for the Turks since M. Molotov's visit.

Von Papen hinted that Germany and Italy would respect Turkish independence and the Soviets would abandon any claim to the Dardanelles if Turkey accepted the "new order" which would mean separating herself from Britain and acknowledging the right of the Axis to direct the policy of Europe.

Turkish political quarters stated yesterday that they have full confidence in Turkey's ability to win any war of nerves which the Axis powers care to start.—Reuter.

CHINA TO FIGHT ON TO A JUST PEACE

CHINA'S DETERMINATION to fight on until a "just and honourable peace" has been secured was reaffirmed in authoritative Chinese quarters in Chungking yesterday.

It is learned the Government have no knowledge of any new Japanese peace reports, apart from press reports originating in Tokyo (these stated Japan had decided to attempt direct negotiations with Chungking).

One Chinese commentator yesterday described these reports as "obviously a repetition of Japan's earlier manoeuvres to create a false atmosphere beneficial to her plans."

He added: "The threat to accord recognition to the puppet Wang Ching-wei regime in Nanking leaves us cold."

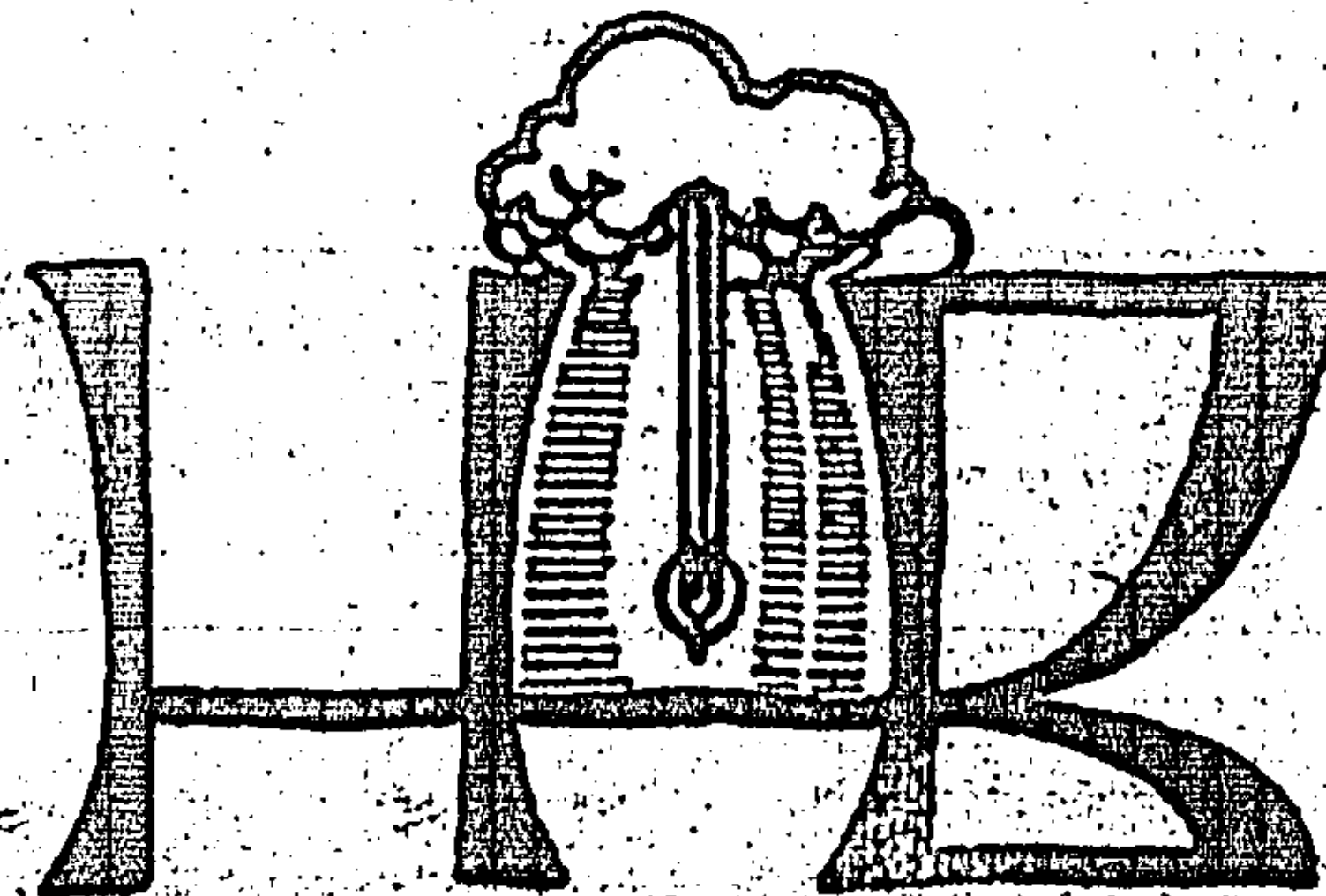
"It shows how ignorant the Japanese are of the grit of the Chinese people even after three

and a half years of war. It also shows Japan still wants a dictated peace." — Reuter.

RIBBENTROP REACHES VIENNA

Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, arrived in Vienna by special train from Salzburg last evening ten minutes before Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!

German Ultimatum To King Boris Considered Improbable

HORATIUS KEEPS THE BRIDGE

Duce's Version

A daring raid by 15 Greeks on one of the Dodecanese Islands (which are under the Italian flag) assumed monstrous proportions in an official Italian communique issued yesterday.

What actually happened was that the 15 Greeks, all of whom were born in the Dodecanese Islands, decided to carry out a raid on one island all on their own. They set out on Sunday night in a motor-boat, landed and were challenged by Italian guards. They killed three, captured a further three and then set sail for home, feeling very pleased with themselves.

The Italian communique admitted the raid yesterday and said that the Greeks tried to take possession of the island, but "this was thwarted by prompt action by the Italian land, sea and air forces!" — *Reuter*.

CHINESE CLOSE ON JAPANESE HEELS

CHINESE TROOPS HAVE NOW OCCUPIED THE COASTAL REGION OF SOUTH-WEST CHINA FOLLOWING THE EVACUATION OF THE JAPANESE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, COMPLETED ON SATURDAY.

The ports of Yanchow and Fancheng are now in Chinese hands. Nanning, chief city of Kwangsi province, which the Japanese held for about a year before abandoning it late in October, is rapidly returning to normal. — *Reuter*.

SECRET TRIP SPECULATION

(By *Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent*)

It would be unwise to draw any parallel between the visit of King Boris of Bulgaria to Berchtesgaden and the experience of Dr. Schuschnigg and Dr. Hacha who were summoned into the presence of the Fuehrer to be told their fate. Bulgaria is in a very different position from Austria and Czechoslovakia — and so for that matter is Germany to-day.

It is improbable therefore that Germany would risk complications in the Balkans by precipitate action. It is doubtful whether she would confront Bulgaria with an ultimatum for the passage of troops however desperate the need of Mussolini for help in the campaign against Greece.

The question of free passage of troops raises very important issues, not only as regards Bulgaria but her neighbours Yugoslavia and Turkey, as well as the Soviet Union.

Also the Germans like to prepare the ground thoroughly before they act, and in the case of Bulgaria the preliminary spadework can hardly be said to have progressed very far. It is probable Germany feels it will not hurt Duce to realise his absolute dependency upon his Axis partner.

The Duce's reference to Hitler in his speech on Monday showed he is already accepting a lesser role — it is no longer an equal partnership.

"New Structure"

In the absence of definite news it is considered probable by competent observers in London that Hitler may first be trying to fit Bulgaria into the "new order" he is attempting to create in Europe,

the "new political structure" that will consecrate the Axis leadership in Europe from the North Cape to the Mediterranean and the Atlantic to the Black Sea.

The meeting at Vienna to-day will probably afford an opportunity of advertising to the world Axis plans in this respect. If Yugoslavia and Bulgaria can be persuaded to send delegates to the meeting it will no doubt be trumpeted to the world as the first visible manifestation of the "new order." — *Reuter*.

BRITISH WEAR FOR AMERICAN CHILDREN

British manufacturers of children's clothes, with the backing of the Board of Trade, are launching a drive to induce American mothers to dress their tiny boys and young girls in the simple styles adopted by the Royal children.

A trade delegation will shortly leave for America with 500 different samples of suits for little boys, and dresses, suits, and coats for girls up to the age of 14. Headquarters are to be in New York, and a show will also be held in Chicago for Middle Western and Western buyers.

Hope Of Trebling Figures

In the past a considerable trade has been done in children's clothes, but it is the aim of the delegation at least to double or treble last year's figures. American buyers have had to come to this country to see the clothes; now for the first time samples are being taken to them.

The trade has organised itself into a group for export purposes, and no trade names will be shown on the goods taken abroad. Advice to the smaller firms has been given by those who already had connections in America, and all the clothes have been specially designed to suit the American market.

Full facilities have been given the group by the Board of Trade, and manufacturers are assured of sufficient materials to make up all the clothes for which they can obtain orders in America. Similar export groups have been formed by many other trades, and it is expected that they will earn substantial sums in dollars to help pay for Britain's vast purchases of arms in the United States.

SIR STAFFORD MAKES INQUIRIES IN MOSCOW

Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador in Moscow, yesterday saw M. Vishinsky, Vice-Commissar for Foreign Affairs, says a *Reuter* despatch from Moscow.

HOW R.A.F. SECRETS ARE KEPT

Vital messages pass daily and nightly between Headquarters and stations of the R.A.F. by means of the teleprinter. The great advantage of the teleprinter in this work of protecting Britain against air-attack is its speed and secrecy.

In appearance the teleprinter keyboard is like the ordinary three-bank typewriter, but there are important differences between the two machines.

Teleprinter messages, or signals as they are called in the Royal Air Force, are automatically typed by the receiving set. Stations hundreds of miles apart are connected by cables and when a signal is transmitted the depression of the key sets up a number of electrical impulses which cause the character required to be printed simultaneously on the paper of both the transmitting and receiving machines. By this means speedy transmission of news is ensured. All that is needed is for an operator to detach the copy from the receiving set.

Unlike a typewriter a teleprinter has no back-spacing key. Another difference is that the result of the key depression does not appear until another key is depressed. For instance, in the word "the" the letter "t" is not actually printed until the key for the letter "h" is depressed.

The teleprinter is of great value as it provides the Royal Air Force with a means of secret communication. It is impossible for the enemy to intercept signals because of the manner in which the connecting lines are laid, and even if it were possible for the lines to be tapped, decoding of the electrical impulses would be extremely difficult. No other means of communication is so rigidly watertight.

When the R.A.F. first introduced the teleprinter system into its signalling organisation the normal procedure was for the machine to be operated by wireless operators, but as time went on this was found to be impracticable. They could not always be spared for teleprinting and it soon became apparent that teleprinter operators needed a separate specialised training.

Until quite recently selected airmen were given a short course in touch-typing and signalling procedure but it has now been decided to train women and girls for the job. Large numbers of W.A.A.F. personnel are at present either engaged on teleprinter duties or are under training, but more are needed. Women from 18 to 43 can be accepted if otherwise suitable. The pay is 2/2d. a day when trained. Applications should be made, if possible, to one of the W.A.A.F. Area Headquarters, the address of which may be obtained from any Post Office or Employment Exchange.

NIGHT BOMBER'S IMMUNITY

The problem of countering the night bomber, which is engaging the best scientific brains in all the belligerent countries, still defies solution.

Britain "in very hopeful of finding a means to defeat the night bomber but the problem is still very far from being solved," declared Air Marshal Sir Philip Joubert, speaking in London yesterday.

"In this war we are coping with an enemy flying up to three times as fast as he did in the last war and flying twice as high, with all sorts of aids to help him escape detection. Our fighter boys have a stiff problem before them. They have to have something more than cat's eyes to see the enemy." — *Reuter*.

AUSTRALIA REPEATS A MESSAGE

Australia's message of 1914 to Great Britain, "We are with you to the last man and the last ship," was repeated last night in a broadcast by Mr. S. M. Bruce, Australian High Commissioner in London.

Mr. Bruce added: "To this end we are putting forth our maximum efforts at sea, on land and in the air to reinforce your navy, army and air force."

"We are mobilising to your support all our financial, economic and productive resources. Our determination is to render you all help in our power in this hour of need."

Mr. Bruce said the Government had undertaken to provide a fully equipped and trained air force of 57,000 men, of whom 40,000 are already enlisted from 130,000 applicants. — *Reuter*.

JAPANESE TRADE ROUTE TO SHANSI

A favourite Japanese project has been realised with the opening of a new east-west railway linking China's two great north-south trunk lines.

Construction was started in 1917 but was delayed by civil war and "inter-provincial" jealousy. The new line, 150 miles long, runs from Shihchichwang, on the Peking-Hankow Railway, to Tientsin, on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway across the Hopei plain.

It is of great economic as well as military importance because it gives the trade of Shansi province direct access to the sea at port of Tsingtao through Tsinan-fu, capital of Shantung province. Incidentally the opening of the new line ends in Tsingtao's favour in the 25-year struggle with Tientsin to win Shansi trade.

Originally the eastern terminus of the line was to have been Tsingchow, only 80 miles south of Tientsin, but the Japanese have always favoured the more southerly route. The Japanese have also widened the narrow gauge railway from Shihchichwang to Taiyuan, thus further improving the new trade route. — *Reuter*.

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Joint Flirtations With Moscow And Madrid

Hasty Invitation To Senor Suner

ARMY FOR INVASION STILL PREPARED

No one thinks that because the Germans have not tried to invade England, the danger no longer exists, said Sir Edward Gregg, joint Under-Secretary for War, in a statement in the House of Commons yesterday on the Home Guard.

The German army is a formidable instrument, he said, and a large part of it is marshalled behind the invasion ports.

Its master may launch it into action at any time, even in the winter months, especially as their prestige is beginning to look a little tarnished.

The Home Guard must be ready, it is ready and it is not only ready but, like the rest of the forces, is yearning for a chance to meet the enemy.

With 1,200 battalions, 5,000 companies and 25,000 platoons, it is an enormous force five or six times as great as the Territorial Army.

The age-limit of 65 will be adhered to, he said, as the Home Guard might be required for active service. — Reuter.

Now Fully Armed

Full arms and equipment, said Sir Edward, had been provided for 1,000,000 Home Guards and this was in addition to full equipment for a larger number of regular troops, including Dominion troops.

Paying tribute to the manner in which the United States had been associated with this equipment, Sir Edward said: "I should like to take off my hat to the President, Congress, and people of the United States. I think the Home Guard must have a special appeal to them." — Reuter.

POLISH SCHOOL IN LONDON

What has been described as the last free Polish school in Europe has been established in London for Polish refugee boys. It was formally opened by General Haller, the Polish Minister of Education, in the presence of Mme. Sikorski, wife of the Polish Prime Minister, and a representative group of members of the Polish colony in London.

The headmaster will be Dr. Saliga, formerly Professor of Classics in the University of Warsaw, who will be assisted by a mixed Polish and English staff.

A few of the boys are sons of officers serving with the Polish Army in Britain, but the great majority escaped alone and are without news of their parents. All of them can tell of hazardous experiences and long travel.

"AFTER HITLER'S FRIENDLY INTIMACY WITH M. MOLOTOV THERE IS SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS ABOUT THE HASTE WITH WHICH HE INVITED SENOR SUNER TO BERCHTESGADEN," SAYS THE "DAILY TELEGRAPH" IN LONDON IN A LEADING ARTICLE ENTITLED "HITLER'S TWO FACES."

The newspaper continues: "Unlike Hitler, whose anti-Bolshevik fervour is now unmasked as a mere propagandist trick, Spain takes her anti-Bolshevism seriously and is increasingly disposed to ask how Hitler's flirtations with Moscow can be reconciled with the continued friendship towards Spain."

ITALY'S BATTLESHIP PROBLEM

The possibility that the Italians may have some difficulty in "reconditioning" the three warships damaged at Taranto was envisaged in London yesterday.

The Italians do not construct the ships in their own naval yards but by contract with private firms.

It is not known in London what the repair facilities are in Taranto, but it seems likely that at least one ship will have to go to Trieste or some other port where private yards are situated.

This will entail obvious risks. — Reuter.

IL DUCE WORRIES FRANCE

Anxiety with regard to Italy's claims on France was voiced in an unsigned article in the French newspaper "Le Temps" yesterday.

The writer says: "We shall pay particular attention to the fact that the Duce considered it necessary to emphasise that Italy's claims on France must be satisfied."

"We can only wait for the Italian claims to be officially formulated to judge how far they can be reconciled with the principle that the Axis peace to be concluded in common by Germany and Italy will not be a peace of revenge or of rancour." — Reuter.

AMBULANCES FOR GREECE

Shortly before the announcement of Greece's request to the United States the British and American Ambulance Corps announced in New York that 25 ambulances would be sent to Greece as soon as transportation could be arranged. — Reuter.

Suggesting that Hitler again approached Senor Suner concerning Spanish aid for the war against Britain, the "Telegraph" continues:

"If, as it appears, Hitler came away empty from the interview with General Franco last month, there is nothing in subsequent events, including Taranto and Italian mismanagement of the Greek campaign, to say nothing of the parleys with M. Molotov, to render Spain any more amenable to his blandishments."

"Indeed there is reason to believe that powerful Spanish elements, especially some of the leading soldiers, are increasingly anxious to avoid war."

For Assurance

"The Times" diplomatic correspondent, commenting on Senor Suner's visit to Hitler, says it is likely Hitler wished to reassure General Franco that M. Molotov's visit held no ideological significance but was simply a tactical device to aid in winning the war.

Both the Spanish and Italian Governments, the diplomatic correspondent adds, now seem to have doubts whether Hitler is going to fulfill his first promises to them of extensive new North African territories at France's expense or whether he has whittled down their claims in bargaining with Marshal Petain.

Concerning M. Molotov's Berlin visit, the correspondent says there are signs that Germany has promised Russia technical help in building up the Red Fleet in exchange for the supply of aeroplane parts, also that Germany has assured Russia that Turkey will not be attacked yet. — Reuter.

ROOSEVELT APPEAL TO LABOUR

President Roosevelt yesterday appealed to Labour to close its ranks in the national interest.

Profiting by the opportunity offered by the resignation of Mr. John Lewis, leader of the C.I.O., the President sent a message to the Convention of the American Federation of Labour urging the Labour movement to reach a just and honourable peace.

He stressed the need for "a great and united Democracy in any emergency which might be forced upon us." — Reuter.

GREEK APPEAL TO AMERICA

The Greek Government has appealed to the United States for permission to purchase aviation and other war material, Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, announced in Washington yesterday.

Mr. Welles added Greece had been assured that the appeal would receive the most sympathetic response. — Reuter.

QUIETER DAY ON STOCK MARKET

Foreign bonds, especially South American, met investment inquiry on the London Stock Exchange yesterday. Home rails and industries remained quiet and occasionally inclined to sag for want of fresh support. Gilt-edged closed steady, while rubbers and oils were better where changed. Wall Street was quietly steady. — Reuter.

PLIGHT OF BRITISH PRISONERS

A STATEMENT ON THE PLIGHT OF BRITISH PRISONERS OF WAR IN GERMANY WAS MADE BY MR. ANTHONY EDEN, SECRETARY FOR WAR, IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

It is known that many are without winter clothes, he said, and the British Government is trying to bring about a remedy.

Germany's attention has been drawn to her obligations under the Geneva Convention and in the last few days the U.S. Embassy has been asked to make further representations.

There is no doubt where the responsibility lies, he said.

The Postmaster-General said that the number of parcels sent to British prisoners of war during October was nearly 96,000.

Mr. Eden was replying to a question which suggested that British prisoners of war were too weak to play games owing to lack of ordinary food. — Reuter.

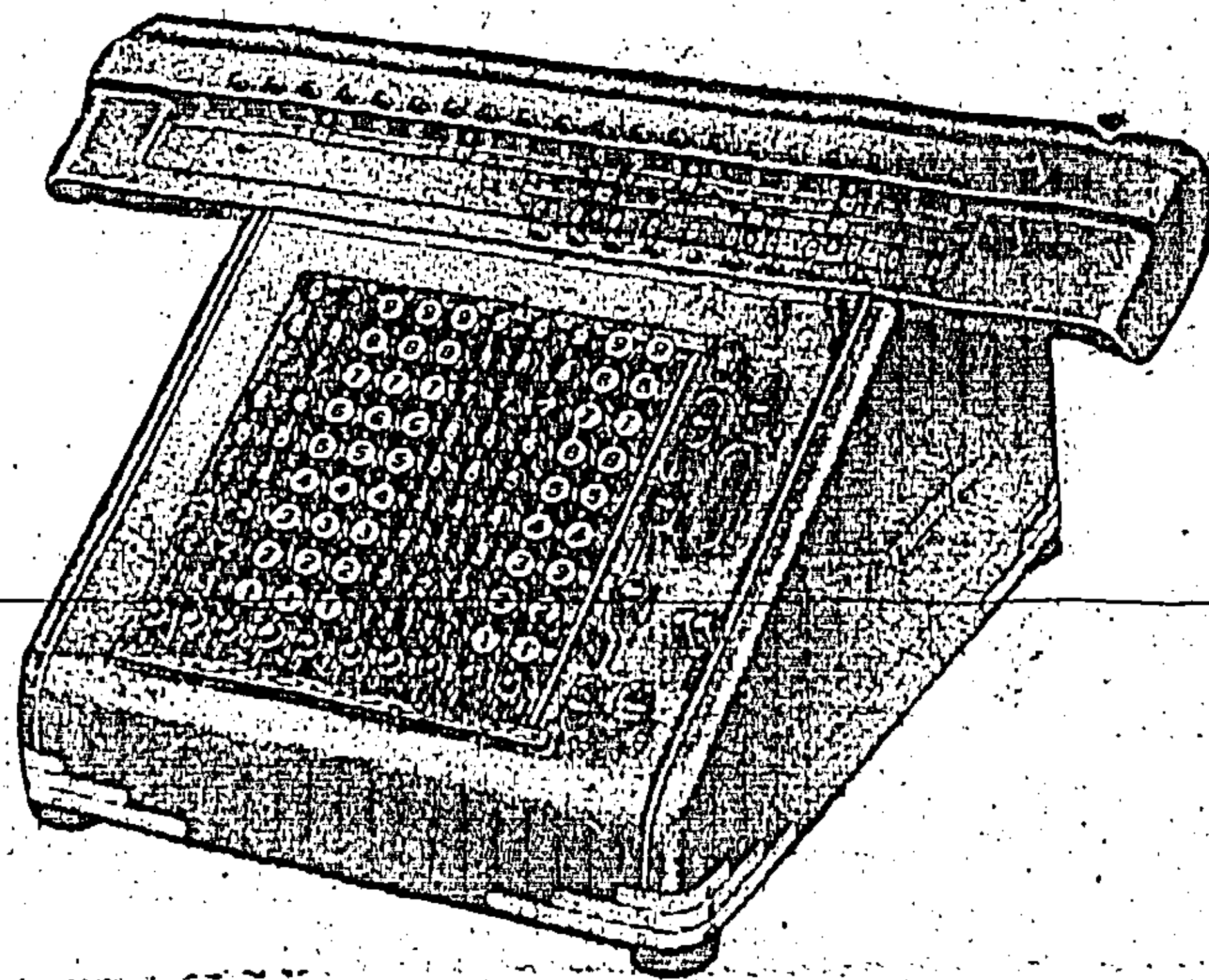
COVENTRY FUND IN SINGAPORE

COVENTRY - BORN RESIDENTS OF SINGAPORE HAVE STARTED A FUND FOR THE RELIEF OF CITIZENS OF THAT CITY WHO SUFFERED IN LAST WEEK'S HEAVY RAID.

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PRESSURE BY AXIS ON YUGOSLAVS

Behind the scenes in Yugoslavia, an inner political conflict is proceeding. It concerns the proposed social and economic reforms to bring the Yugoslav regime into line with the Axis.

It is difficult to say who will win. In the meantime there is a Press war between Belgrade and Zagreb, the Croat capital. Belgrade is insisting on the introduction of a corporative policy. The Croats, stout defenders of local autonomy, fear the super-centralisation of Belgrade. Croat leaders attack corporativeness on the grounds that it is unsuitable for a people of which 80 per cent. are peasants, and it is not wanted in Croatia. If it is forcibly imposed it will not last, they declare.

The Serbs plead that their view is more discreet in the face of Axis pressure. They are supported by the Slovenes. It is possible that a solution will be found on federal lines, with four autonomous provinces and unified control of foreign policy, trade and the army.

Dr. Malcolm Burr, the British entomologist and author, has left Yugoslavia at the request of the authorities. It is probable that this action was due to fantastic accusations in the Axis Press. Dr. Burr, it is stated, was not formally expelled owing to his great services to the country. He commanded a Serbian battalion on the Salonika front in the last war, and was awarded the Serbian Order of the White Eagle.

CAT AND MOUSE IN THE CLOUDS

The possibility of invasion has inevitably intensified the continuous air search by our patrols for signs of enemy naval activity. Ever since the outbreak of war, however, R.A.F. aircraft have kept a ceaseless watch, particularly over the North Sea, on any movements of the German fleet.

To scan the North Sea one has to be able to see it. Throughout the winter months the sea is often hidden under broad fields of clouds, sometimes half a mile deep and many miles in extent.

In the summer, mist and sea fog have also come between the sea and the airman at heights varying from 1,000 to 100 feet. Yet even in such conditions enemy ships do not escape notice. The cloud has been penetrated and German patrol ships, or destroyers, or a submarine, have been observed and attacked. One pilot tells how a submarine was sighted with periscope and conning tower just awash, how the aircraft hurried to attack it but lost it on account of bad visibility and a rough sea. Another reports his inspection of two enemy supply vessels, each dropping two bombs "which fell close to the ships."

With the help of cloud a pilot can often evade enemy aircraft. There is something of cat-and-mouse about such manoeuvres. The roar of his own engine prevents an airman from hearing the noise of another machine, so that he must depend upon his eyes alone. When the enemy is out of sight his pursuer is as baffled as though both machines were absolutely silent. He can only wait for the other aircraft to come into view again.

SIR SAMUEL HOARE BACK IN MADRID

The British Ambassador to Spain, Sir Samuel Hoare, returned yesterday from Lisbon where he saw the Portuguese Prime Minister, the British Ambassador to Portugal and Lord Lothian, who is on his way back to Washington.—Reuter.

LONDON NURSE'S HEROISM

The matron of the Royal Free Hospital, Gray's Inn Road, has received a letter from the deputy coroner for South Co., Wexford, concerning the heroic work of Nurse Maloney, a member of her staff.

At an inquest on the body of a sailor, Moses Brennan, who was shot by machine-gun fire from a German plane on the passage of the St. Patrick, from Fishguard to Rosslare, it was stated that

FAITH IN THE R.A.F.

Mr. Menzies, the Prime Minister, expressing his unshaken confidence in the power of the R.A.F. to defeat the German Air Force, drew attention to the progress of the Australian contribution to the Empire's air force, and said that it would ensure its expansion into so great an arm that the ultimate triumph over Germany was assured.

Of the 16,000 air crew personnel required by March, 1943, 9,476 were already selected and 2,600 were in training. Of the 28,000 required for ground staffs, 18,144 had enlisted and 6,000 awaited training. Fourteen training schools had been established and seven more would be formed this year.

Mr. Eadden, the Air Minister, said that the R.A.F. had shown that it was training that counted. Its victories were lessons to Australia. The day was not far distant when men of the R.A.F. would be in the thick of the battle over the English Channel, which was their front line.

Recently 520 air crew recruits began training, making a total of 1,118 taken in the last month, of whom 596 were pilots, 338 wireless operators and gunners, and 184 observers.

Nurse Maloney, who was merely a passenger on the ship, immediately started to render first-aid even before the plane was out of sight.

"There was no doctor on board," the deputy coroner says, "but the plucky and capable manner in which the nurse treated the wounds of Brennan and a man named Jacob, of the R.A.F., captured the admiration of the captain of the ship, the crew, and all the passengers."

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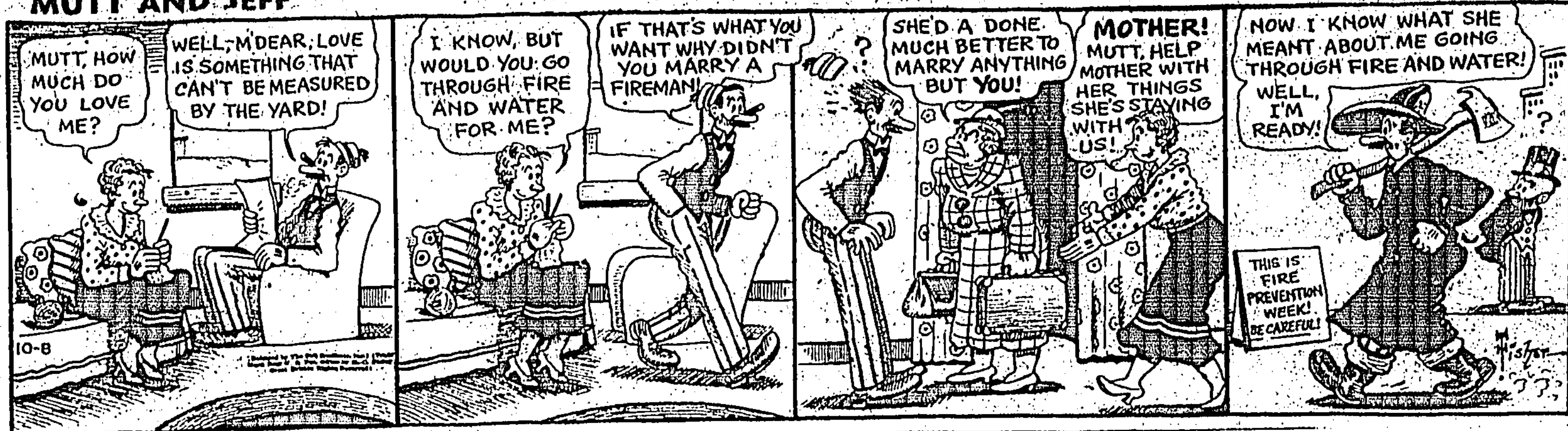
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Once with the squadron, however, incessant practice may at any moment become the real thing. Any day there may be orders to bomb German oil refineries, aerodromes or warships. As a rule, each new operational crew includes men who have already been in action.

Yet there have been rare occasions when an entirely new crew has met the enemy, and each time the result of the engagement showed clearly that every member of the crew had mastered his job. Action itself brings home to the newcomer more forcibly than any lecture the fact that he is now one of a team and that the

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BROTHERS OF THE AIR

Their lives have run on strangely parallel lines, even for brothers. When at Eton, they shared the same room. Now they share the same room at the Fighter Command Station. The elder brother is 25, went to Cambridge and joined the University Air Squadron. The younger one is 23; he followed his brother to Cambridge and did the same.

The elder took an engineering degree and for some time ran a garage. He also bought an aeroplane, which he used to hire to flyers from Heston. Out of the money he made from this "fly-yourself" hire machine he collected enough to enable him to take flying holidays all over Europe. His brother accompanied him on these trips. They visited, in this way, every important city in Europe.

Both took commissions in the R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve before the war, though this time the younger was first. He was commissioned about twelve months before his elder brother. The elder was posted to his present squadron in April; the younger followed him exactly a month later. The first day they were together they took part in a patrol over the Somme. There followed many patrols and combats over France and the south coast of England after that.

Ask them how many German aircraft they have shot down and they say: "We've fired at plenty, though we haven't seen any actually crash. But the squadron is well in the running for the championship. They have shot down over fifty enemy aircraft for certain and damaged a number of others."

The brothers were flying with the squadron one day over Le Havre when seven Germans were destroyed. Another day they were sent up, with a Flying Officer leading the section of three, to deal with two Messerschmitts 109. All three Hurricanes blazed away at the Me's and the two enemy machines crashed. Each of the brothers admits generously that both Messerschmitts were really the victims of the section leader.

Once the brothers were in separate sections, one above a layer of clouds and the other below. Between them was a Heinkel 111 trying to escape. Both sections fired at him and sent him streaming down to earth.

The elder was asked once whether the fact that his brother was flying with him did not tend to distract his attention from the job.

"Not a bit of it," was his reply. "I always know where he is, just as I know where any other member of the squadron is in the air. But when it comes to a dog-fight you get so absorbed that you don't think of anyone but yourself and the enemy."

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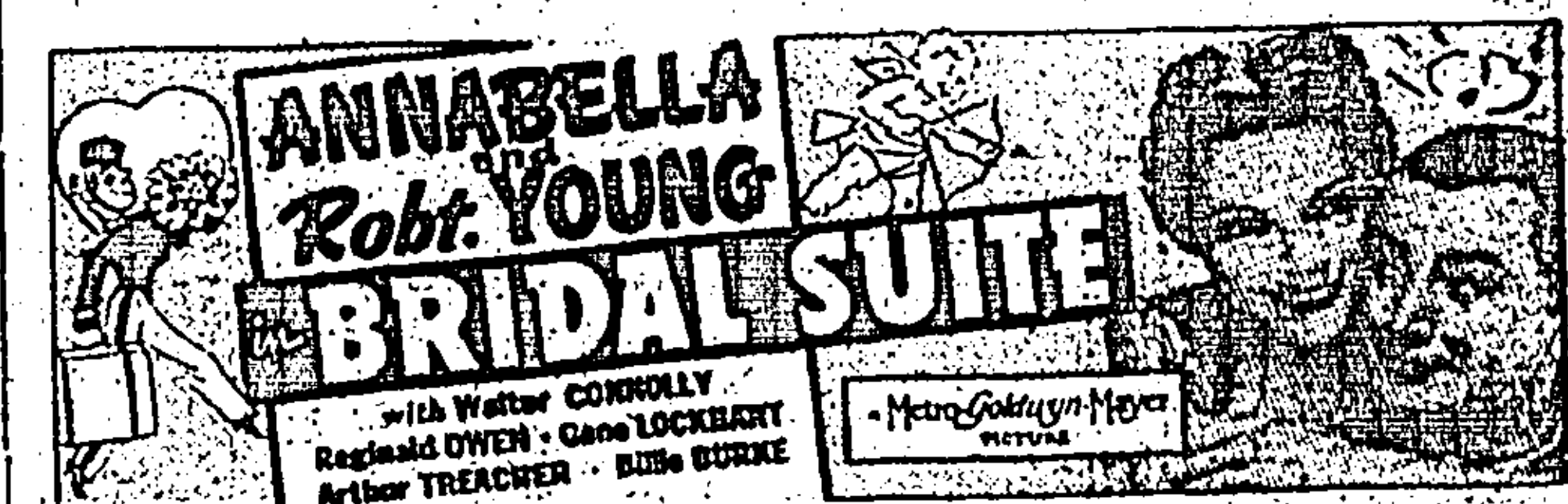
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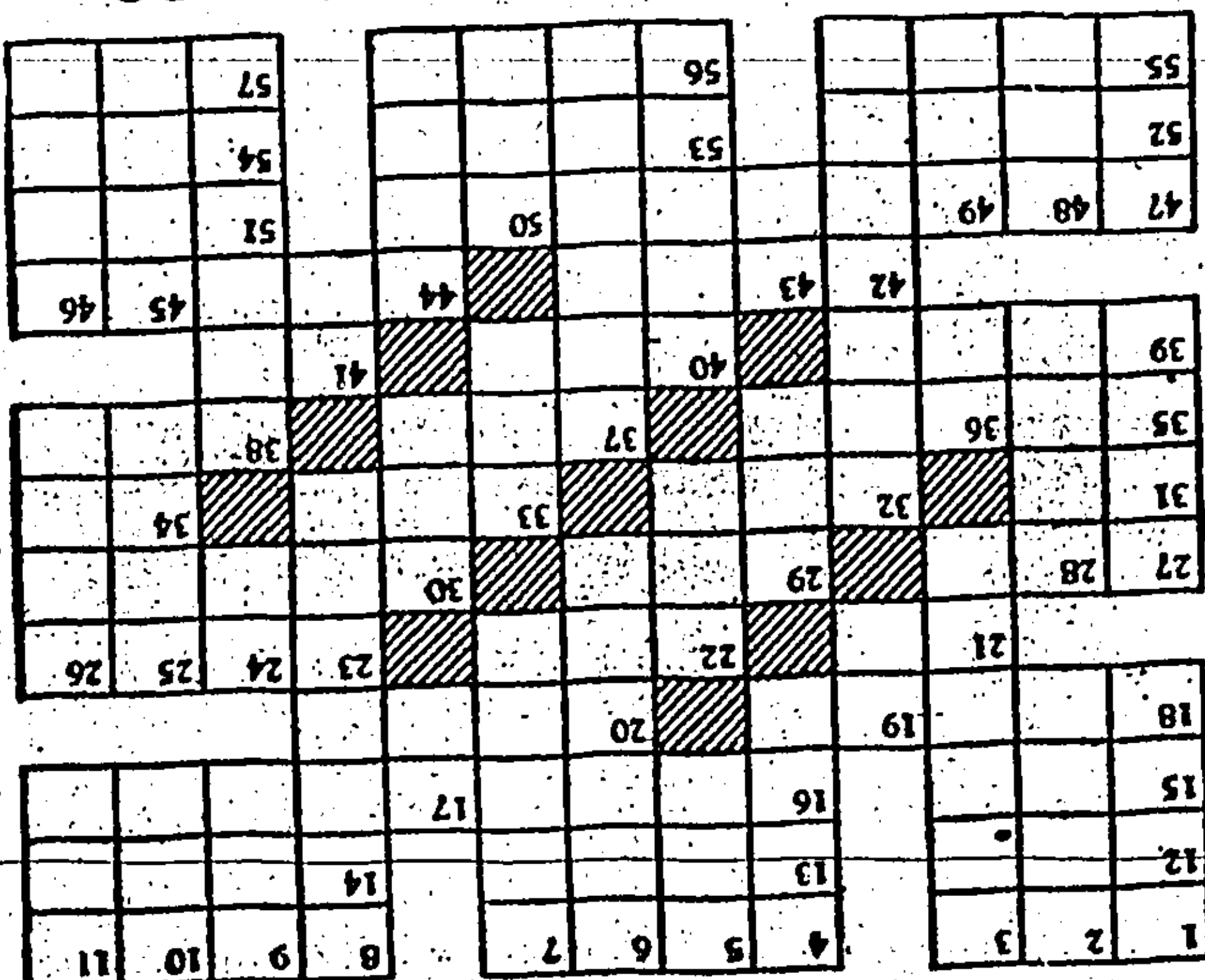
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- 13 Mine entrance
- 14 To give forth
- 15 Sped
- 16 Small antechamber
- 18 To flash
- 20 African chief's residence
- 21 Babylonian deity
- 22 Possessive pronoun
- 23 Floor covering
- 27 Hindu weight
- 29 Melody
- 30 Criminal
- 31 Sloth
- 32 Viper
- 33 Footlike part
- 34 Japanese measure
- 35 Diagram consisting of dots and lines
- 37 To show deference to

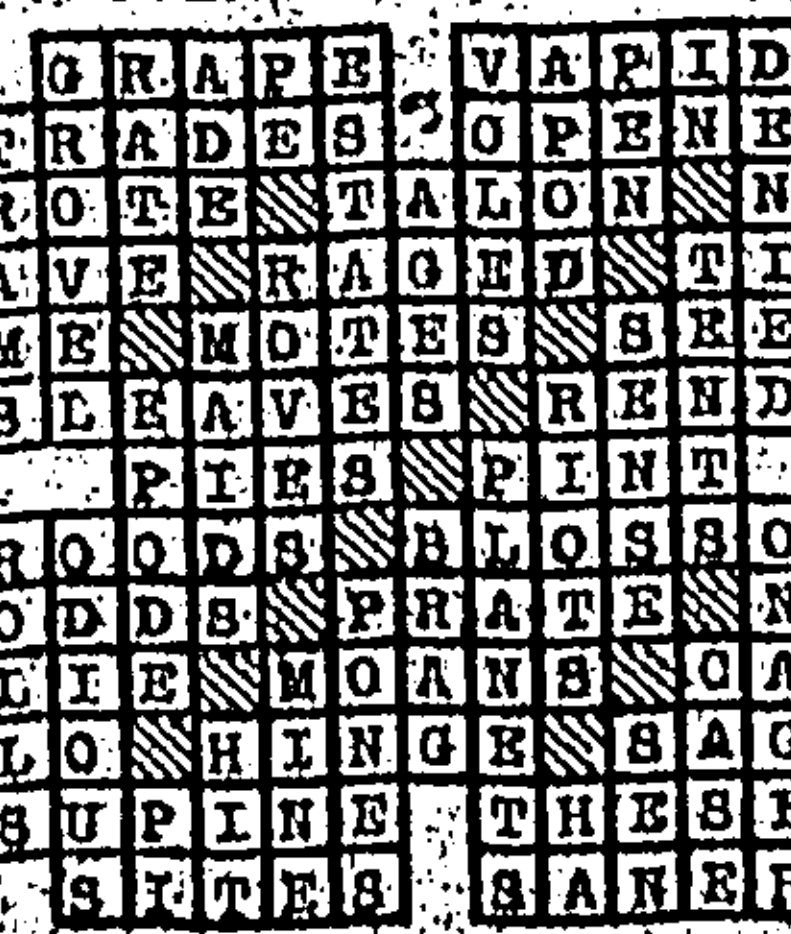
- 38 Evil
- 39 To leak
- 40 Headgear
- 41 Cooled lava
- 42 Bellow
- 44 Sportive child
- 47 Keeper of records
- 51 Monk
- 52 Sacred bull
- 53 Snake-like fish
- 54 To drink

- 55 Taunt
- 56 Large knife
- 57 Abstract being

VERTICAL

- 1 Chief Greek goddess
- 2 Isles off Ireland
- 3 Entertainer
- 4 To wash
- 5 Fruit drink

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



- 6 Man's title
- 7 Essence
- 8 Makes a deduction from
- 9 Australian bird
- 10 Nothing
- 11 Pronoun
- 12 Note of scale
- 22 Part of body
- 24 Italian article
- 25 Venezuelan snake
- 26 Wife of Geraint
- 27 Sinks
- 28 Country in Europe
- 29 Tree
- 30 Not many
- 32 To notify
- 33 Container
- 36 Diphthong
- 37 Dull
- 38 To confuse
- 40 Abominates
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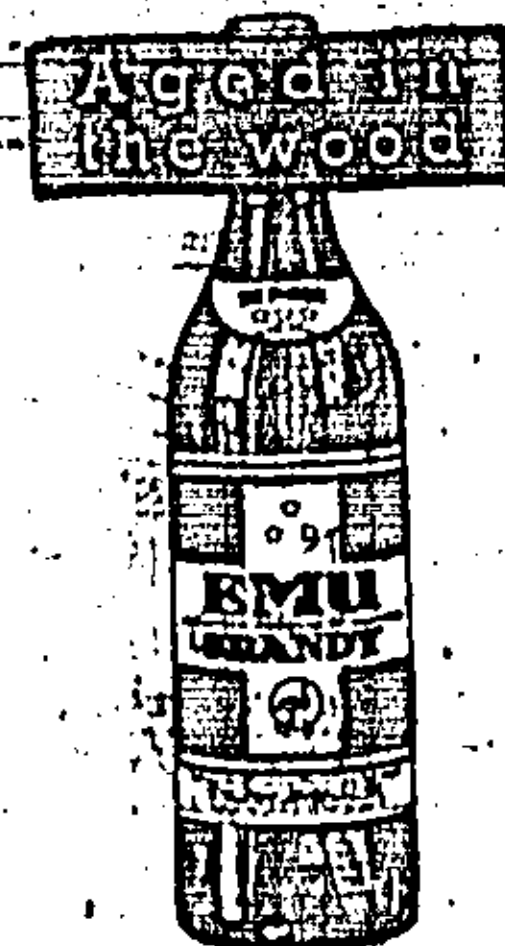
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THE BATTLE FOR LONDON

ENEMY PAYS A HIGH PRICE AND STILL FAILS

THE ENEMY HAS CONCENTRATED HIS ATTACK MAINLY ON LONDON. WHY HAS HE DONE THIS? THE OBVIOUS ANSWER WOULD SEEM TO BE: "BECAUSE HIS OBJECT IS THE DEFEAT OF THIS COUNTRY AND LONDON IS ITS CAPITAL." BUT THE ANSWER IS NOT SO SIMPLE.

It is an elementary principle in strategy that one's object must be the destruction of the enemy's organised armed forces, or, at the least, the reduction of them to such inferiority that a decision is bound to go in one's own favour. The organised armed force of Britain consists in three elements which are, in the order of their importance, the Navy, the Air Force and the armed land forces. London is not principally involved in any one of these three. Why then the attack on London?

The reason of the present concentrated assault by air upon London is that the enemy proposes to throw the life of the country into confusion before he proceeds to a final attack, whether this final attack takes the form of attempted invasion or of achieving mastery of the air — which mastery would, in the long run, give him nearly all the advantages he could obtain from invasion and occupation. It is the enemy's conviction that if he can achieve the full confusion and disarray of London he will have achieved the same results for the whole country.

London's Unique Position

Why does he think this — seeing that London is only the capital and not the armed strength of the country? His conviction is based upon the peculiar situation of London politically and geographically, and of these two the political situation is far the most important.

Geographically London is the clearing-house of many, but not all our communications. The great railways converge upon London and diverge from it. The main roads do the same. The crossing of the Thames from that unknown prehistoric date when it depended on a ford at low tide (where now the Horseferry Road marks the track and to which the Watling Street pointed from the Straits of Dover and Canterbury) has been the main nodal point of the most important area in Britain: the fertile Midlands and South, and the approach from the Continent.

The London area is still in our own day, enormously extended though it is, the main clearing house of our communications. Interrupt the communications of the London area and you interrupt most of the main communications of the country. Further, the prolonged Thames Estuary and the line of the river above it are, even under modern conditions, the chief transverse obstacle to all communication south of the Midlands. Sooner or later mere geographical conditions make London a necessary target for invasion.

Political Importance

But the political considerations are much more important to-day than the geographical. The most important of these is numerical. London far more than any other capital presents a nucleus of population so large in proportion to the whole state that its influence is decisive. The amount of the total London population is debatable, for there are no exact boundaries. But if we call it, all told, with its suburban zone and tentacles, eight millions that is no excessive estimate. There are certainly eight million souls counting as the urban population of that enormous gathering.

Now if you compare this with any other capital of any other first-class Power in the world, you will find it to be on a unique scale. Even New York and its appendages are not in the same proportion to the United States. Paris not in the same proportion to the population of France. Berlin may be called anything between four and five per cent. (it is certainly not six per cent.) of the Reich which it administers. London holds at least fourteen

per cent. and probably nearer sixteen per cent. of the population of the island.

Still more important is the social value of London — the weight London carries in the direction of opinion and, what is equally important, in the general mass of opinion. It used to be said that Paris was France. It is much more true that London is Great Britain. Public information derives from, and is concentrated upon, London. There is not in theory the same centralisation of political power in the capital as there is in most continental countries, but we all know that, in reality, London is the reservoir which receives all influence whether of wealth or of office and whence all influence flows.

London has for centuries been not only the main port, but overwhelmingly the largest port of the island: which island lives by commerce. To-day London is the main port of entry for a form of goods more vital now than any other, food.

Even more important than being the main gateway through which our sustenance passes, it is the main market wherein the exchange of that sustenance is decided.

In other countries, where agriculture plays a larger part, the urban areas are usually the masters, but here they are everything, and there is no urban area amid all our dense mass of townland comparable to London. The enemy, in concentrating upon London, in attempting to throw London into disarray, is certainly aiming at the heart.

German Effort Fails

But to aim is not to attain, and the effect he has so far achieved is not comparable to the magnitude of his intention. He has destroyed buildings, but not upon a scale which interrupts the general life of London. He has not come within any appreciable distance of his ultimate goal, even in this limited field. As to the price he has paid for this second effort at victory we cannot judge that until the present action is completed. But it is already an exceedingly high price. His first effort at a final decision was the air battle which began on August 8 and ended on August 18, with his defeat.

It is because the results of that battle disappointed him that he now turns to another scheme. His first plan was to establish mastery in the air by his superiority in numbers and to do so in one major charge. That charge was broken; and meanwhile there has been another month for further preparation and further increase in what must become, short of a very proximate decision, the manifest superiority of Britain in Air Power and, with that superiority, a decision at last against our enemies.

The effort against London still proceeds. It is too early as yet to define at all exactly the limits of its failure.

But we note the steady stream of the enemy's losses in trained pilots and crews and their very high proportion to the total possible number of such experts at his disposal. The whole world is noting this as well as we, and that is why its judgment of the struggle is changing.

ITALIANS POORLY CLOTHED

Large groups of Italian prisoners arrived at Salonika in autobuses. I saw five busloads of them near the railroad station, cables the Associated Press correspondent.

The captives appeared poorly clothed for battling in the frigid mountain area.

Some of the Italian prisoners were quoted as saying that their officers had asserted that "Greece won't fight us. We will just walk in." — Associated Press.

SPLENDID WORK OF DEFIANTS

Splendid work, it is revealed, has been performed by squadrons of Boulton Paul Defiants, the two-seater fighters, which were first reported in action last May.

The Defiant is equipped with a movable gun turret containing four guns, besides four guns firing forward. Its speed is believed to be about 330 or 340 m.p.h.

The success of the machine is referred to in a message sent by Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, to Mr. Leonard Lord, Government director of one of our air factories. This says:

"I ask you to give us more Defiants. I impose on you the duty of increasing this output and speeding up the delivery of these fighters. Use every resource, employ all energy to secure the maximum production. The splendid work done by the Defiant squadrons in the battle makes the manufacture of this aircraft a task of paramount importance in the defence of our country."

"I rely on you now to pass on this urgent message to the subcontractors. On them depends the success of the Defiant programme."

BRITAIN'S LEAGUE PROPOSAL

VISCOUNT CRANBOURNE, SECRETARY OF THE DOMINIONS, IN A SPEECH, SAID AFTER THE WAR THE WORLD MUST BE BASED ON A PEACE SYSTEM HAVING ITS OWN POLICE FORCE CONTRIBUTED BY THE NATIONS WHO SUBSCRIBE TO THE PRINCIPLES INSPIRED BY THE ORGANISATION TO WHICH THEY BELONG.

Such force, he said, "must have adequate machinery for the removal of the causes of war." This is the first specific statement by a member of the government concerning what should be the shape of things to come. Viscount Cranbourne added the nations in the organisation must agree to some limitation of their sovereignty. This is essential for the continuation of peace. — Associated Press.



Inflexible Aid In War

DIFFERENCES

War to some extent entails the use of the same methods by both combatants. Bombings are fought by bombings, blockade by blockade. Yet again and again a little item of news throws a flood of light on the opposed conceptions of human destiny that are at grips in the present struggle.

Quite recently two prominent Englishmen, the Archbishop of York and the Minister of Labour, Mr. Ernest Bevin, publicly and severely censured corporations and individuals which were dismissing conscientious objectors to military service from employment. Mr. Bevin, whose words carried special weight because of his membership in the Cabinet, expressed himself in the following vigorous terms:

When the House carried a law giving to any minority a right, it was wrong for another citizen to try by individual action, either by endeavouring to starve the man or otherwise, to depreciate the right which the House had given.

Such conceptions as law and conscience mean a great deal to the British people, even amid the din of air raids and the horror of "total war" at sea. It is easy to imagine what happens to conscientious objectors in Germany, since even in peacetime they were given no opportunity for alternative service. A pacifist German religious group, the Bibel-Foerscher, or Bible Students, who had scruples against combatant participation in war and also refused to give the Hitler salute, were severely persecuted and many of their members were to be found in concentration camps.

Another significant contrast has been the attitude toward the publication of the enemy's radio broadcasts and communiques. On the darkest days of the German sweep into France the British newspapers published the German official military communiques unabridged and unaltered. And no Englishman has any fear of legal consequence if he chooses to tune in on "Lord Haw-Haw" or any other German propagandist on the air. On the other hand the severest penalties are prescribed for Germans who listen to foreign

The Trade Union Congress afforded unmistakable evidence of the oneness of organised labour with the rest of the Nation in the prosecution of the present war.

It was Labour's answer to Nazi propaganda that British resistance to Adolf Hitler's plans for a "new world order" comes simply from an alleged "war party of plutocratic richards" striving merely for preservation of their own possessions.

This parliament of industry of 650 delegates, representing nearly 5,000,000 workers which met at Southport for three days, unanimously passed a resolution which reiterated "its inflexible resolve to go on with the struggle against the aggressor powers," and welcomed the "sympathy and co-operation of the United States and other manifestations of solidarity of free nations."

Momentarily the greatest call is for production, and this Congress by its resolutions and speeches showed its willingness to urge workers to redouble their efforts so as to continue increasing the output of the war weapons essential for successful prosecution of the present struggle against the totalitarian powers.

Production Under Handicaps

Production has been suffering particularly from interference

through stoppages for air-raid warnings, from the dislocation through air-raid damage, and from a drop in efficiency, due to over-work and black-outs.

How best such interferences could be minimised was the subject of long discussions, and formed a great part of the rousing speech of Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour and National Services, which came as a fitting climax to this year's gathering.

This impassioned and reasoned appeal for greater output was combined with strong indications of Labour's determination that the

By
J. EMLYN WILLIAMS

present struggle in which Labour is willingly surrendering many privileges to help the national effort shall also be a starting point for that new world of equal opportunity about which so much has been heard since 1914.

Mr. Bevin told of the communal canteens and the establishment of more nurseries for children of working mothers as aids to industry. He also indicated that Labour's new world would include

reform of the diplomatic service, making it available not merely to a limited class but to all who had the necessary abilities.

Wide Range Of Discussion

Much of the time of the Congress was devoted to problems of new arbitration machinery, adequate protection for workers in air raids, wage standards in wartime, compulsory savings, black-out, conscientious objectors, and allowances for soldiers and dependents.

The scheme of compulsory savings or deferred payments, associated here mainly with the name of Prof. J. M. Keynes, was rejected by the Congress.

On the question of conscientious objectors the Congress adopted the very liberal view that without upholding the opinions of the people concerned there should be no victimisation, and the Congress condemned their dismissal by local authorities and other employers.

The final work of the Congress was a composite resolution seeking repeal of the Trade Disputes and Trade Unions Act of 1927, introduced by the Baldwin Government after the general strike in 1926 and regarded ever since by Labour as containing "unfair and unjustifiable restrictions." Such repeal was this year urged on the ground that it would enable

the trade unions to make a still greater contribution to the war effort.

Public Interest First

This Parliament of industry has few rivals apart from the House of Commons as the spokesman of the majority of the British Nation. Though naturally stressing the workers' interests it was remarkable for the extent to which the priority of the community's claims were not forgotten.

Thus in the debate upon air-raid protection for the workers the General Council's spokesman laid down that workers could not be considered a privileged class, but could only benefit under a system of legal rights and compensation applicable for all citizens.

Labour, and particularly industrial labour, has gone very far in the interval between the two great wars. In 1914 Trade Union membership was only half its present total. But it is even truer to say that the Trade Union movement has advanced in knowledge and experience. The 1926 general strike taught industrial labour that syndicalist methods do not go down with the British public and that without the cooperation of that public real progress is impossible.

This Congress showed realistically that "power brings responsibility," and this responsibility it fulfils toward both the Nation and its own members, according to Sir Walter Citrine, its Secretary, by adopting a policy of "watchful though cordial cooperation" with the Government, and while helping the national effort at the same time trying "to widen the ambit and influence of the Trade Union movement in this grave period."

"Labour Fit To Govern"

In fact, this Congress, like many Labour utterances in the recent past, has sought to prove that "Labour is fit to govern," or in Mr. Bevin's words, that it is to Labour that the "future" really belongs.

It is therefore not surprising that one resolution approved by the Congress welcomed "increased Trade Union relationship with the Ministers, the Government Departments, and employers' organisations as a further step in national acceptance of Trade Unionism."

Since nowadays few would deny that the outstanding leadership in the Labour movement is with the industrial rather than political section, the national significance of such a Congress cannot be over-emphasised.

British Trade Unionism has needed no propaganda to convince it of the danger of totalitarianism, after seeing how similar movements in Germany and Italy have been treated.

In consequence, self-defence dictated opposition to Nazism long ago, so that what the country generally required was tangible proof of industrial Labour's ability to cooperate in the national effort. That this has been forthcoming is evidenced in the Trade Unions' efforts, particularly since the Churchill Government was established.

Shrewdness And Courage

The General Council of the Trade Unions cooperates closely with various Government Departments through advisory committees, particularly with the Ministry of Labour and National Service, of which Mr. Bevin, leading Trade Unionist, is now head.

Trade Unions also have been accepted as representatives of consumers and producers by the Ministry of Food, and are members of food committees and price-regulation committees.

This Congress showed quite clearly the new pride and new resolution of British workers in the present struggle and evidenced that shrewdness and stubborn courage of the British worker which kept him, long ago, from running after Syndicalist or Communist shortcuts to settle industrial problems.

Stalin Smiles And Waits

By William Henry Chamberlin

(In The Christian Science Monitor)

Occupying about one seventh of the earth's surface—bordering in Europe on the major Axis power, Germany, and in the Orient on the Axis ally, Japan—the Soviet Union occupies a place of pivotal importance on the world-political stage at the present time. There are the strongest practical reasons for the wooing of Russia which is now going on in the three countries which have united in a triple alliance of aggression.

Adolf Hitler wishes to have forgotten the abuse which he heaps on Soviet Russia in "Mein Kampf" and the prediction, rather ominous under present circumstances, which he voiced in the work: "The conclusion of a treaty with Russia embodies the declaration of the next war. Its outcome would be the end of Germany." Japan's bellicose generals are now cooling instead of roaring when they refer to Russia. And the State-dictated Italian press has reversed its tendency to preach a crusade against Communism which it waged during the Spanish civil war.

The adhesion of the Soviet Union to the German-Italian-Japanese bloc would have a tremendous effect on the world situation, strategically and economically. It would build up a gigantic Eurasian land mass from the Atlantic to the Pacific which would be extremely resistant both to military attack and to blockade.

broadcasts and British communiques are not "news" for German newspapers.

Two ways of life are in conflict. On one side is a community of free men, preserving a remarkable amount of freedom even in a grim struggle for existence. On the other side is the totalitarian society whose two bases are one-sided emotional propaganda and merciless repression of all dissent.

It would ease very considerably the realization of the Axis designs in the Near East and in Africa. An acquiescent Soviet Union would make a vast amount of difference in the prospective speed and success of a German push into the Near East by way of Istanbul and the Straits. And such a push would be a natural complement of the Italian attempt to master Egypt and break the Suez link in the blockade.

Cajolery Ann Coercion

Should the Soviet Union reach a firm agreement with Japan the full striking power of the Island Empire would be set free for new adventures in expansion in the South Pacific. With the Soviet Union playing such an important part, potentially, in Axis schemes for the redivision of the world it may be taken for granted that the whole Axis machinery of cajolery and coercion has been set in motion to obtain the Soviet Union as a partner. A diplomatic success in this field would go far to make up for the setback represented by the failure to crush Great Britain within a short time, so confidently expressed in Nazi and Fascist circles after the fall of France.

But there are several formidable obstacles to a complete unconditional line-up with Germany, Italy and Japan. Since the beginning of the Sino-Japanese war the Soviet Union has been a non-belligerent ally of China. Its contributions to Chinese defence have probably been greater than those of the United States and Great Britain, taken together. Soviet aeroplanes, sometimes with pilots to operate them, have been flown over the vast and spaces of Western China and have served as a constant reinforcement to the Chinese air force. Tanks, munitions, and trucks have lumbered along the old caravan route from Chinese Turkestan to the centres of Chinese resistance in the western part of the country.

Soviets Need China

This support to China has certainly not been motivated by any sentimental considerations. Joseph Stalin has simply foreseen that, should Chinese resistance cease, his empire in Siberia would be flanked to a dangerous extent by Japanese military and air out-

posts. He has regarded help to China as a useful insurance against the consequences, for himself, of a too quick and too easy Japanese victory. It seems doubtful whether he will be disposed to abandon this insurance.

In Europe, Herr Hitler and Mr. Stalin have carried out a grand partition of the many small and medium-sized States which were set up after the World War, when Germany was prostrate in defeat and Russia was torn by revolution and civil war. Herr Hitler's share of the spoils includes Austria-Czechoslovakia, the larger and more industrially developed part of Poland and the shrunken remnant of Rumania, which includes the valuable Ploesti oil wells. Mr. Stalin has also done well territorially out of the deal, with Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Eastern Poland, Bessarabia, and Bukovina.

But this process of relatively amicable sharing of the spoils seems to be almost at an end. The old rivalry between Teuton and Slav for the possession of Istanbul and the Straits again coming to the surface. It is one of those rivalries that outlast changes of regime, because it is rooted in geography and strategy.

Should Germany win this prize and install itself permanently in the Near East some of the richest and industrially most important regions of Russia, such as the Baku oil district, would be exposed to German attack.

Rich Regions Involved

Should the Soviet Union take over Istanbul there would be an end of the "Berlin to Baghdad" dream which is just as real to Herr Hitler as it was to Pan-German enthusiasts before, and during the first World War. Even when one reckons with the willingness of the Axis powers to give away other people's property it is hard to see how this fundamental clash of German and Russian interests can be permanently composed to the satisfaction of both sides.

So there seems reason to doubt whether the Soviet Union will identify it cause wholeheartedly with that of Germany, Italy, and Japan, whatever outward concessions may be made from time to time. Mr. Stalin's basic foreign policy is simple, although it is carried out with a good deal of cunning, and a maximum of secrecy. He wishes to prolong the war to the point of exhaustion for all the combatants while remaining aloof from it himself.

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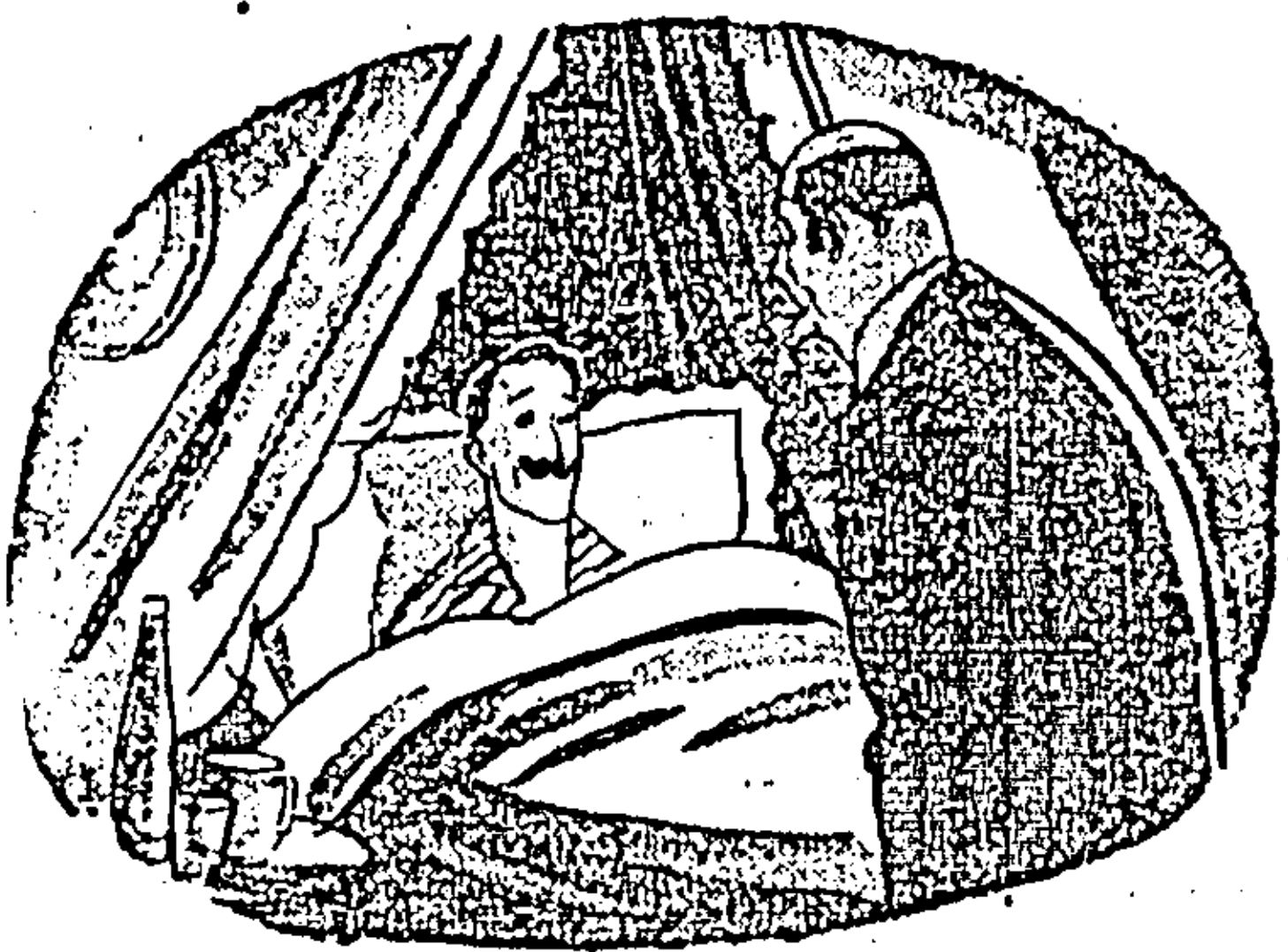
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LUFTWAFFE'S FIRST FAILURE

R.A.F. STUMBLING
BLOCK TO NAZI
LANDING

DESPERATION IS evident in the whole course of the attacks by the German Air Force. The armies which smashed through Poland, Holland, and France stand ready, and a great array of sea-craft has been brought to ports from Norway to Brest to await safe escort to Great Britain by the German Air Force.

Up to the present the Luftwaffe has failed in its allotted task. It was to smash the Royal Air Force just as it had smashed those of Poland, Holland, Belgium, and France. For the first time the Luftwaffe has had to accept defeat—a defeat the extent of which has not been fully realised.

Instead of wearing down our fighter strength until it became negligible, the German Air Force has found itself in danger of being worn down. The strength of the R.A.F. Fighter Command after weeks of battle stands higher than it ever did.

Admission Of Defeat

The result has been that for the first time the enemy has accepted failure in his main line of attack. The daylight raids have become fewer. The masses have scattered into smaller groups. With the admission of this defeat he has switched over to the less expensive night-flying tactics—tactics for which the Luftwaffe was not trained and which it always condemned as unlikely to yield results. Now that the terrific barrage around London has proved effective, the enemy will like night-flying even less.

What is the deeper strategy behind all these German efforts which have proved so costly and have gained so little? In the first place, there was an undoubted effort to gain supremacy in the air as the prelude to invasion. When that failed, the night attacks, concentrated against London and indiscriminate in their aim, were intended first and foremost to shake the morale and the will to fight of a section of the British people. That, again, is foredoomed to failure, even though the enemy do not realise it yet. One city, however big, does not make a nation, nor can promiscuous bombing win a war.

If Invasion Comes

There seems little doubt that, despite that failure, invasion will be attempted—and probably very soon. But the failure to batter down the R.A.F. may prove the stumbling-block to all the German hopes and plans.

Any invasion will be made not only by sea but by air as well. The air part of the scheme must now be made by night—by day the troop-carriers would be shot out of the sky.

When the moment arrives we must expect the air attack to take the form of the dumping of relatively small bodies of parachute troops at many places at once in the darkness, probably just before dawn. Their function will be to dissipate the efforts of the defence and spread alarm and confusion throughout the country.

Mobile Forces Ready

Undoubtedly there will be a big attack or a series of attacks on a frontal basis—ships escorted by clouds of fighters to prevent them being bombed out of the water. In the rear of the defenders of our coasts we must be prepared for widespread guerrilla warfare against parachutists, who will be replaced as often as they are mopped up.

The prospect is unpleasant, but not such as to cause undue apprehension. Forewarned should be forearmed, and our mobile forces are ready for just this sort of thing.

The system of "defence in depth" has been well planned and well executed. True, certain aerodromes which were thought to be fully obstructed were found not to be obstructed at all when R.A.F. machines alighted gaily upon them and took off as easily again. But the long time taken by the Luftwaffe in finding that it could not fulfil its

hopes of knocking out the R.A.F. has given time for weaknesses to be exposed and remedied.

Few people, in looking at damage in London, mostly confined to non-military objectives, can apprehend the extent to which definite military objectives have been damaged in Berlin.

Our attacks do not consist of splashing bombs haphazard here and there through a town. Rather the system of the Bomber Command is to plaster individual targets with dozens of bombs concentrated together so that the damage is localised but immense.

The Time-Bomb Peril

This deliberate refusal to be led into the materially ineffective promiscuous bombing is one of the greatest indications of the solidity of our policy and the confidence on the part of those in command in the steadiness of our civil population. The Berliner who comes from his shelter in the morning to find his chief station a heap of smoking ruins—not just with one time-bomb in the corner, but flattened out—is much more impressed than the Londoner who finds that a single bomb has broken the windows of his office.

This brings up the question of the time-bomb. As usual, and as with the magnetic mine, the Hun thinks up an unpleasant method of warfare and then finds himself paid back in his own coin in double measure. The time-bomb is designed to add to the general disorganisation caused by bombing raids so that the demolition squads cannot get on with the job of clearing up immediately after the attack. The necessary evacuation of premises around while the bomb is rendered harmless or until it goes off adds much to the nuisance value. Now we, too, are dropping time-bombs and the enemy has a taste of his own medicine.

Night Raiders

Finally, there is that pressing problem of defence against night raiders. Its difficulties are great—how great is demonstrated by the remarkably small price our night bomber crews have had to pay in their nightly bombing raids over Germany since May 10. It is also demonstrated by the fact that even our highly organised defences bring down not more than 2 per cent. of enemy raiders on any night.

There are at present two main methods of night defence—as in daylight. There is the night-flying fighter, and the anti-aircraft gun, both helped by searchlights. There are also the passive barrage balloons, set to trap the unwary bomber flying low.

Our night fighters, chiefly Bristol Blenheims, have done well to bring down a number of raiders. One bold adventurer in his enthusiasm got into three spins and brought down two Heinkel bombers one night, all within the space of half an hour. But the Blenheim fighter is not fast enough and when its presence is betrayed by the glowing heat of exhaust rings round its two motors the enemy often has a chance to escape.

New Fighters

Hurricane and Spitfire single-seat fighters, incomparable by day, have neither the duration nor the amenities needed for night interception. But new two-motor night fighters with all the range of the

BRITAIN'S
NEW
WEAPONS

New types of weapons of defence now are being used in the raids on London.

People are speaking of thunderous explosions disintegrating into staccato cracks high up in the heavens, of muffled rattling from what some have called "carpet slipper machine-guns," and of the curious flat roar of something which seems to strike an imaginary ceiling several miles up and then bump its way clamorously along the top of the sky.

When the "woe-woe-woe" of Nazi bomber engines increases to a high-pitched rasp as the pilot dives to dodge the "heavies," more anti-aircraft shells burst in his new level.

There is another new weapon which makes very little noise except an odd rustle like the frout-frout of a taffeta gown.

In addition to guns doing new jobs are new types of shells whose composition and effect are secrets. They, too, are adding to the terrors of flying over London at night. New and more elaborate types of "flaming onions" have also been noticed during recent nights.

Nazi surprises include the parachute bomb. Wardens and others who have seen these bombs descend describe them as shiny cigar-shaped objects apparently constructed of an aluminium alloy. They float down gently and explode after landing.

NEWFOUNDLAND
BOAT DISASTER

Twenty-eight persons are feared to have drowned in a collision between a ferryboat and a motor boat in Conception Bay, Newfoundland.

The vessels crashed during a severe snowstorm. The ferryboat sank and the other craft, undamaged, rescued four of the passengers. — Associated Press.

Blenheim, a much higher speed and more formidable armament, are now coming into service and they should take increasing toll of the night flying raider.

The anti-aircraft gun, when used for precision shooting with searchlights, has not proved successful against the high-flying raider. But the barrage system, in which grouped guns put up a storm curtain of shell, through which no aeroplane can fly in anything but extreme peril, has shown its worth. The detection machinery is evidently most effective, because the guns on several nights proved their ability, without the aid of searchlights, to put successive boxes of bursts about a raider no matter which way he twisted and turned.

The Weather Factor

Effective as this barrage has been, it is not the only new measure in hand. We may yet perfect an effective antidote to the night raider. It would soon act to our own disadvantage against our own night-flying bombers when the enemy adopted it—but we hope to use it first and so be a step ahead of the enemy.

One new factor has arisen by day in the change from clear skies to low cloud. The importance of overcast skies to the nuisance-raider has not been fully realised by the general public, although the conditions favour our own daylight attacks as well.

This cloud affords cover for single raiders, although it prevents formation flying. The bad weather attacks approximate more nearly to night conditions and prolong the nuisance value caused over wide areas by few aeroplanes. Each side holds big reserves, but we have used a proportionately smaller part of our Air Force. Already there is some evidence of a shortage of trained crews on the German side, and Italians have been brought up to fill gaps. The odds are increasingly in our favour.

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H.E. THE ACTING GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

THE necessity for provision for Air Raid Precautions need hardly be emphasised, Hong Kong no less than almost any other part of the Empire must make such provision in a war of which the future course is unpredictable.

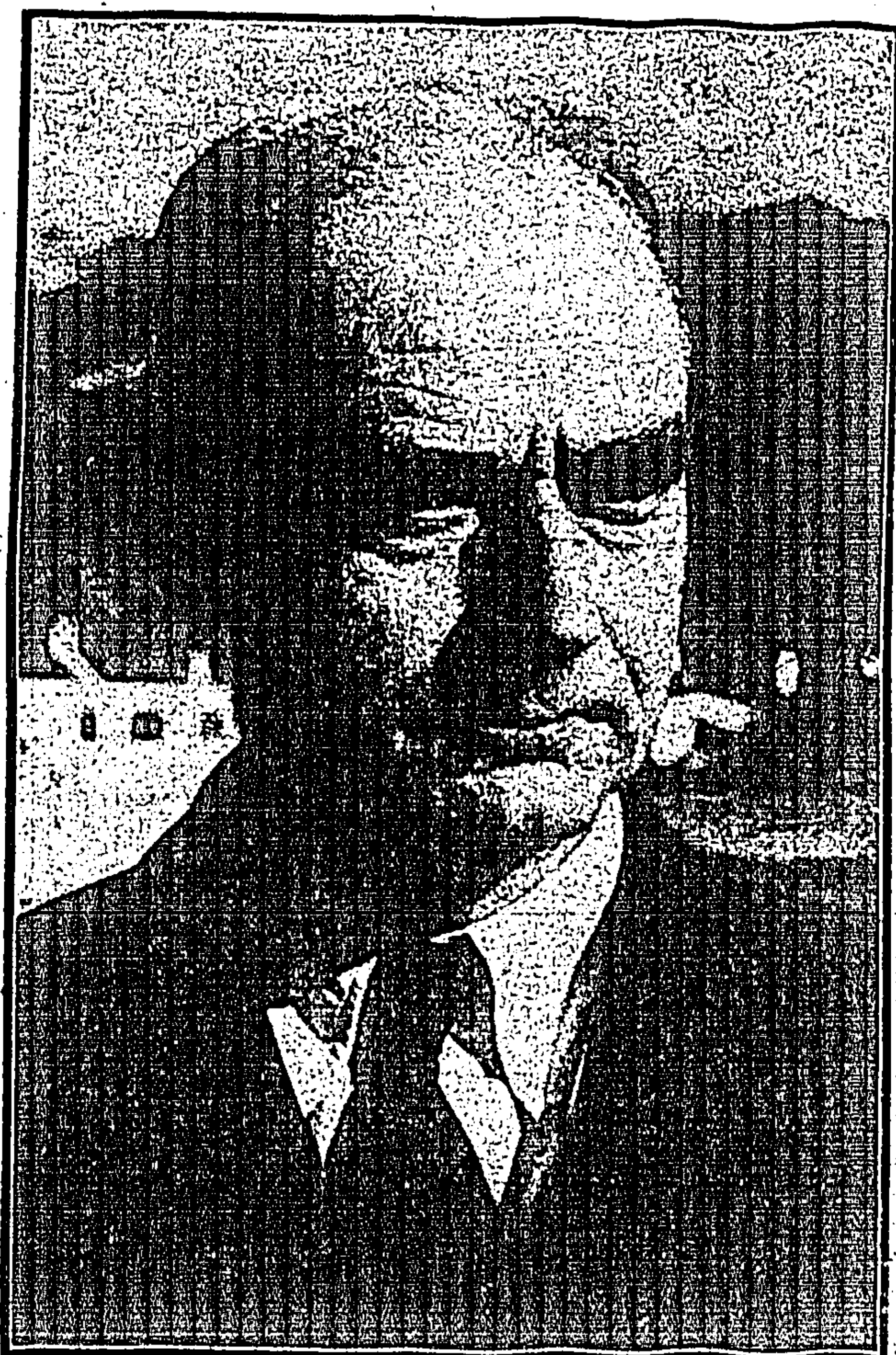
The vulnerability of Hong Kong against air attack is obvious. Equally obvious are some of the difficulties to be encountered in preparing a scheme of defence.

Fortunately we have two great assets: we have now wide experience to draw on from all corners of the world — notably from Europe and our own cities in England — while local

conditions can be studied from the experience of the neighbouring provinces of China.

Then we have a Director of Air Raid Precautions of exceptional experience, for, prior to his arrival in Hong Kong, Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins held a highly responsible position in this department in England. In addition he is daily demonstrating that he has both organising ability and drive.

His task is a heavy and responsible one and I should like to preface this supplement which deals with his work by expressing my own confidence — shared I know by the general public — in his ability to cope with it.



Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, Hong Kong.

Colony's Loyal Band Of Volunteers

By Wing-Commander A. H. Steele-Perkins

Modern warfare now not entirely at the mercy of such attacks, but that involves the whole community, and the civilian of to-day is in the front line, and until the happy day when the millenium

In viewing the trials which the people of Great Britain are now being subjected to, we must try and analyse what else besides their undaunted courage and faith in their cause enables them to stand up to these ferocious attacks. I believe it is partly due to the fact that the nation has been trained in the precautions which they can take to protect themselves, and that their unfortunate experiences have proved that the training they have received has, when put to practical purposes, been effective.

The personnel of the A.R.P. organisation are indeed the fourth service, but unlike the other services, their role is passive, and their object is to mitigate suffering, to carry help and succour to those who need it, and to keep the home front going.

In the dastardly bombing attacks on London and other cities of Great Britain, it has been proved that the population is

our problem in Hong Kong is either different or insoluble. — It is immense, but if it is broken into fragments, and each part dealt with in a co-

operative spirit, then I am convinced that our problems and difficulties can be overcome. A voluntary organisation such as A.R.P. cannot stand unless its leaders are served by a large mass of men and women, inspired by sentiment and bound together by ties of friendship and confidence. I am happy to be able to record that throughout the A.R.P. personnel in this Colony, a community spirit has been developed, and should the acid test ever come, the general public will find this loyal little band of A.R.P. volunteers ever ready to do their duty.

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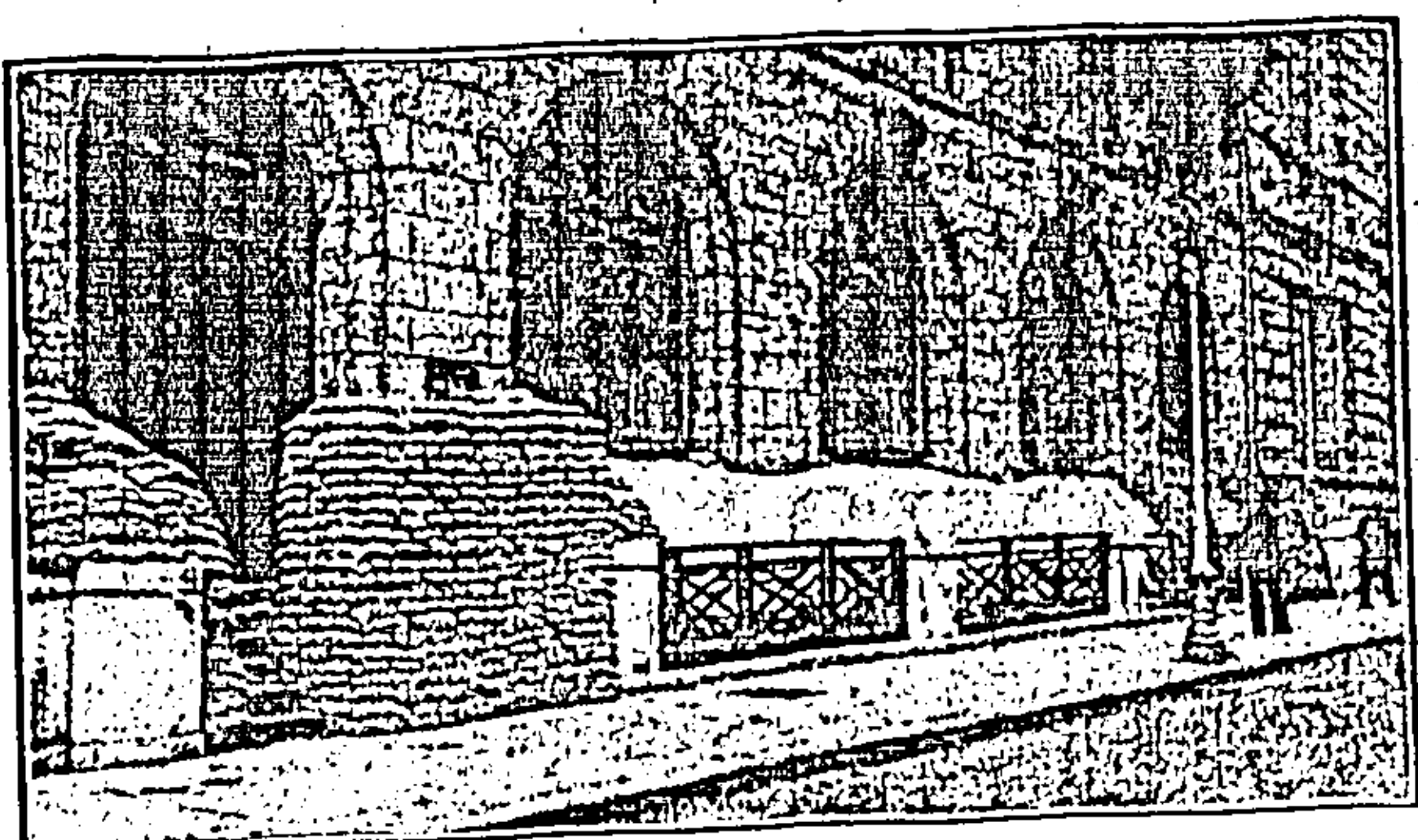
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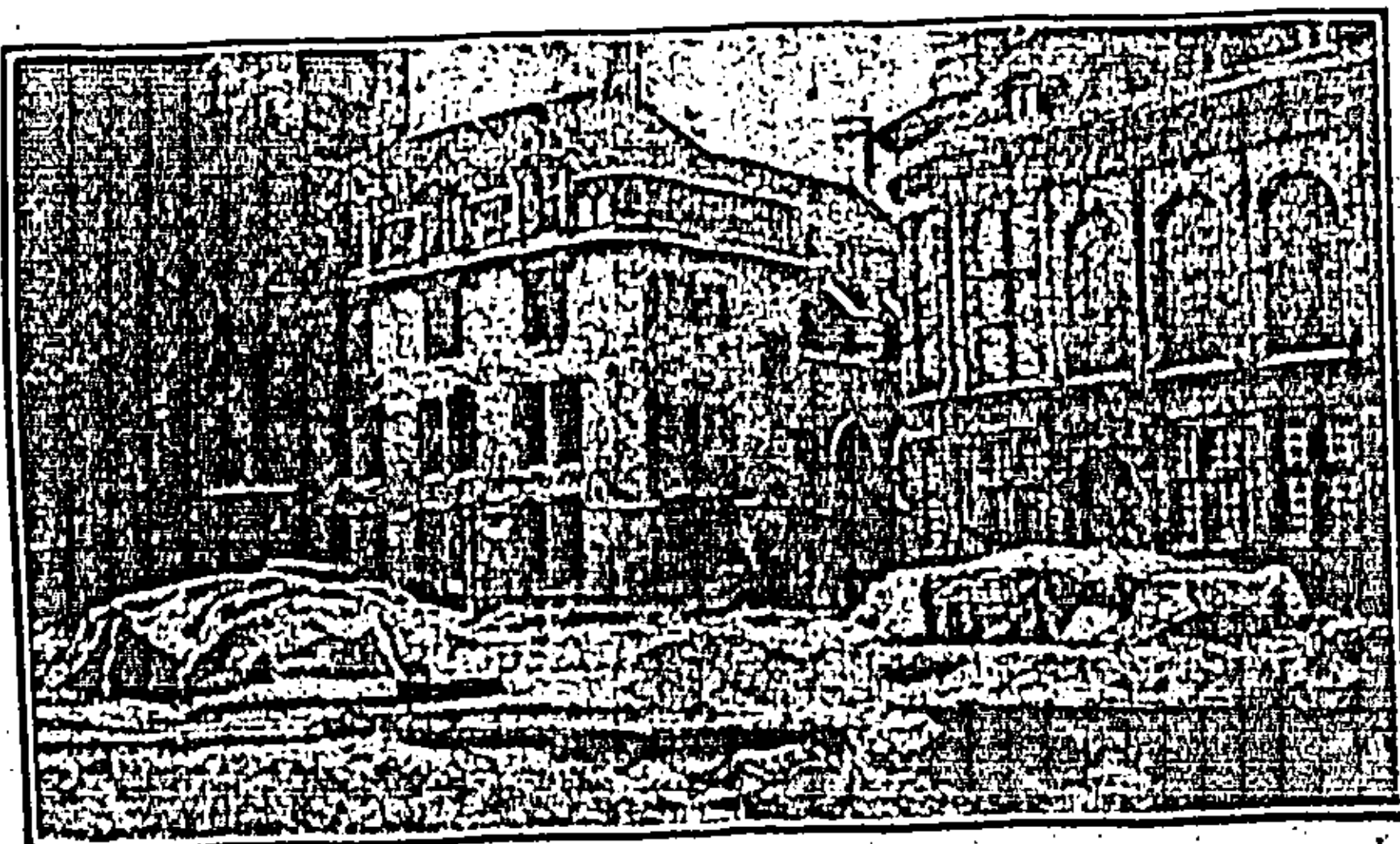
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The interior of the A.R.P. Headquarters in Kowloon where reports are received from different Report Centres and plotting is done on maps on wall. Mr. C. E. Terry, Deputy Chief Air Raid Warden (Kowloon) is receiving a report from Telephonist Warden Miss G. Maxwell; and Major C. M. Manners, Chief Air Raid Warden, is handing a message, for transmission, to Telephonist Warden Miss M. Maxwell. Sitting beside Major Manners at the same table, is Mr. S. E. Faber, A.F.C., Technical Adviser.



Wardens signing attestation forms in the presence of the Chief Air Raid Warden (Hong Kong) Mr. G. A. Pentreath, on whose left is Head Warden E. Manning.



A fully qualified Air Raid Warden, after signing an Attestation Form, is posted to his district. Photo taken during a recent Attestation at A.R.P. Headquarters in Happy Valley, shows a Warden having his "history sheet" scrutinized by Deputy Divisional Wardens O'Neill Shaw and R. Dormer.



After signing his Attestation Form, the new Warden is sent to the Equipment Room, and (as shown above) is measured for uniform, respirator, gum-boots, etc.

History Of Air Raid Precautions In Hong Kong

(By G. A. Pentreath, Chief Air Raid Warden for H.K.)
EARLY IN 1937 a small committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. W. R. Scott, of the Hong Kong Police, was set up by Government to prepare a scheme of Air Raid Precautions for the Colony and in December of that year they completed their task and presented a valuable report.

It was quite obvious to them that no further progress could be made, unless money was provided to implement their proposals and an officer appointed to take executive control.

In March 1938 an Air Raids Precaution Officer was, on the recommendation of the Hong Kong Government, appointed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies in the person of Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E.

The first task that had to be tackled was perhaps the most difficult of all, namely to get the people interested in this "foreign A.R.P." doctrine but with the generous help of a handful of homeside instructors, especially that of Mr. R. P. Dunlop, B.Sc., and Mr. J. G. Hooper, lectures were commenced, and the response of the public was so encouraging, that it was decided to hold special classes for would-be A.R.P. instructors with the result that today we have over eighty fully qualified instructors representing practically every nationality.

The next step was to try and induce the public to give up some of their leisure hours and to come forward for training as A.R.P. volunteers.

First Committee

On 1st September 1938 the Air Raid Precautions Officer called a meeting which was attended by the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and the following gentlemen who subsequently formed the first A.R.P. Main-Committee:

Mr. R. P. Dunlop, B.Sc.
Mr. F. C. Mow Fung (representing Chinese in Kowloon).
Mr. A. Murdoch.
Mr. G. A. Pentreath (Chairman).
Mr. Tse Ka Po (representing Chinese in Hong Kong).
Mr. G. S. Wilson (Assistant of Police).

and on which the following were invited to serve:

Mr. Cyril Champkin.
Mr. Eduardo Leitao (representing Portuguese in Kowloon).
Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E.
Mr. H. R. Sequeira (representing Portuguese in Hong Kong).
The Main-Committee promptly formed 22 Sub-Committees throughout the Colony which were the nuclei of the present A.R.P. Divisions, and from that time onwards the flow of recruits has been on an ever increasing scale. The Administrative side became so heavy that it was necessary to appoint a Deputy Director of Air Raid Precautions, Mr. B. H. Puckle, D.S.O., and to divide the Colony into two commands namely Hong Kong and Kowloon, the present Chief Air Raid Wardens for which are Mr. G. A. Pentreath and Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E., respectively.

Seventeen Divisions

The Colony was then subdivided into 17 Divisions, corresponding to the Police Districts, each in charge of a Divisional Warden whose main duty was, and is, to again subdivide his division into districts and then sectors as described elsewhere in these pages.

At present there are over 2,600 wardens and about 800 house-wardens and the red-letter day in the history of A.R.P. was 15th March 1940 when Government recognised the valuable work wardens were undertaking and an ordinance was passed and the Hong Kong Corps of Air Raid Wardens came into being.

The present organisation consists of:

Director of Air Raid Precautions
Deputy Director of Air Raid Precautions.

HONG KONG
Chief Air Raid Warden
Deputy Chief Air Raid Warden
Head Warden

KOWLOON
Chief Air Raid Warden
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Quarry Bay, Shaaukiwan, Stanley, Upper Levels and Western.

KOWLOON
Hung Hom, Kowloon City, Mongkok, Sham Shui Po, Tsim Sha Tsui and Yau Ma Tei.

Exercises are taking place every

evening on both sides of the harbour and the Corps is rapidly reaching a very high state of efficiency. During Black-outs Wardens carry out exercises under war-time conditions, every Division in the Colony taking part. Furthermore they assist the public in calling attention to breaches of lighting restriction regulations in buildings and on the streets.

All their duties are carried out with keenness and the esprit-de-corps is excellent. Training never ceases and exercises are made so interesting that interest does not flag. Evidence of this can always be seen by a visit to any of the District Headquarters on any day of the week after normal working hours.

Recruiting Campaign

More wardens are required to bring the Corps up to the full required strength and courses of lectures, both in English and Chinese, are held regularly and notice of same is published in A.R.P. Orders every week. Anyone wishing to undergo a course of training should report to the lecturer at the opening class.

In addition to advertising the

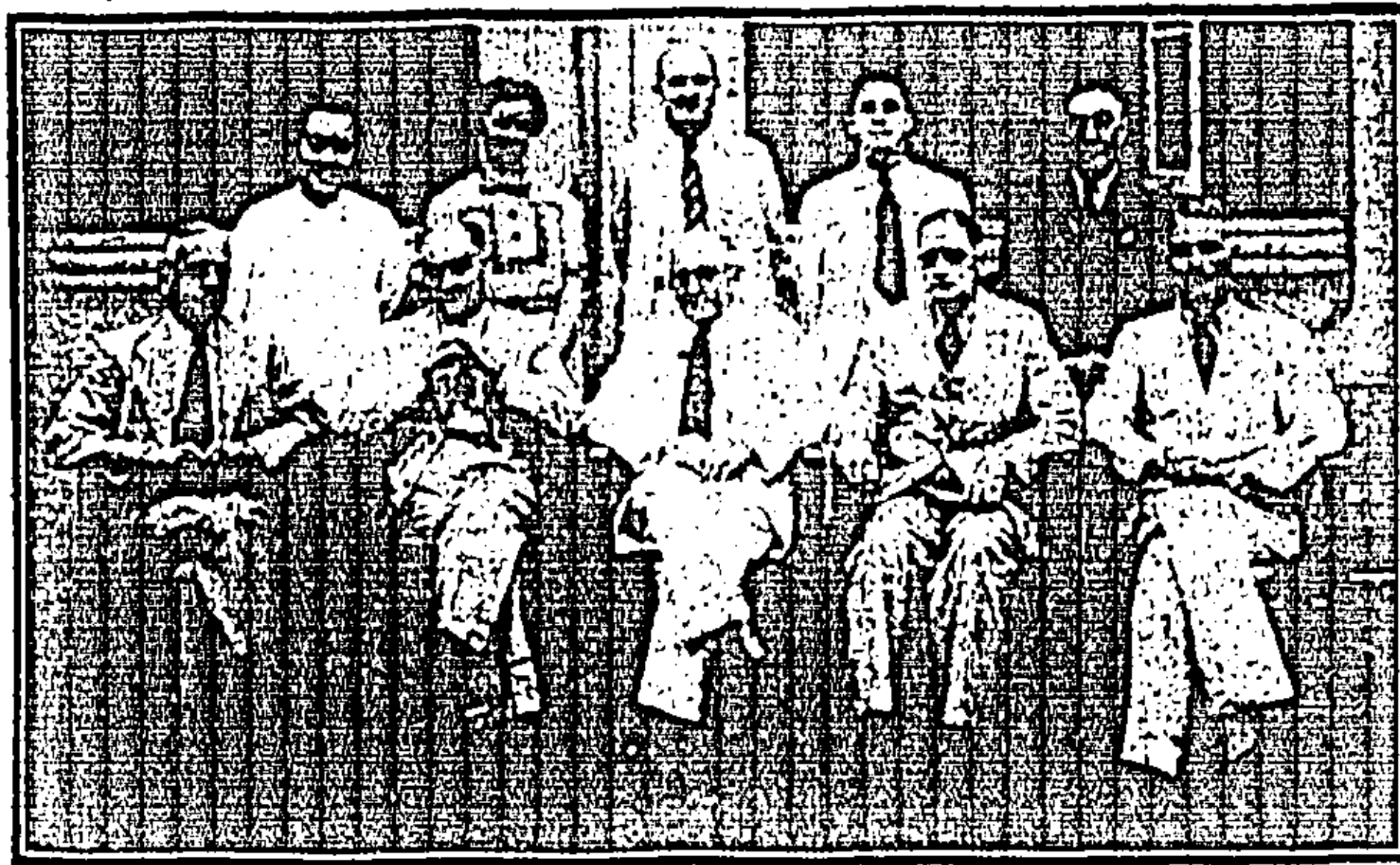


Mr. G. A. Pentreath.

lectures, which has brought such excellent response from the public, members of the Corps are conducting a recruiting campaign, District by District, and wardens are encouraged to induce their friends to receive instruction and apply for enrolment.

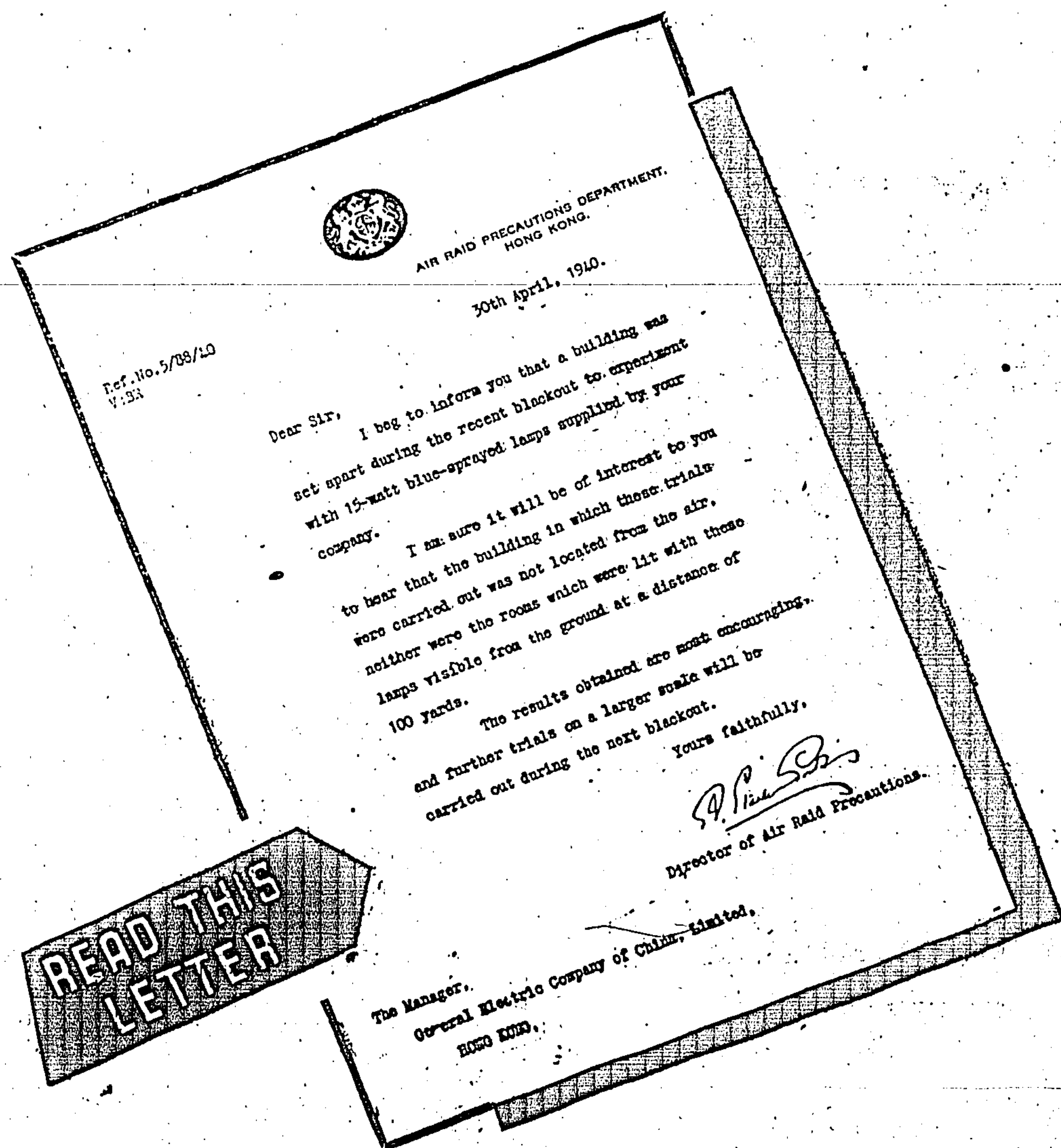
Telephonists for Report Centres are also needed. For these special classes are held at the A.R.P. School & Headquarters in Hong Kong and at the A.R.P. Club, Kings Park, Kowloon. Women are particularly suitable for this work especially those with bilingual qualifications although there are plenty of vacancies for only English speaking warden-telephonists.

The uniform of the Corps is Green Overalls with an identification disc and a Black Beret on which the silver A.R.P. badge is worn.



The original A.R.P. Committee formed in 1937. Left to right (back row) Messrs. Tse Ka-po, Mrs. R. P. Dunlop, B.Sc., Mr. R. P. Dunlop, B.Sc., H. R. Sequeira and F. C. Mow Fung (front row) Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E., Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of A.R.P., Mr. G. A. Pentreath, Mr. C. Champkin and Mr. H. W. Leyden.

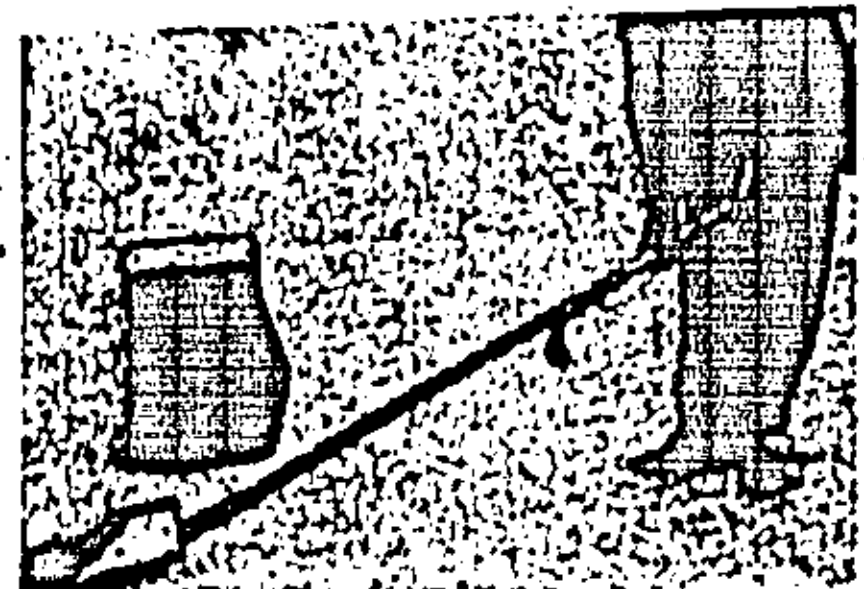
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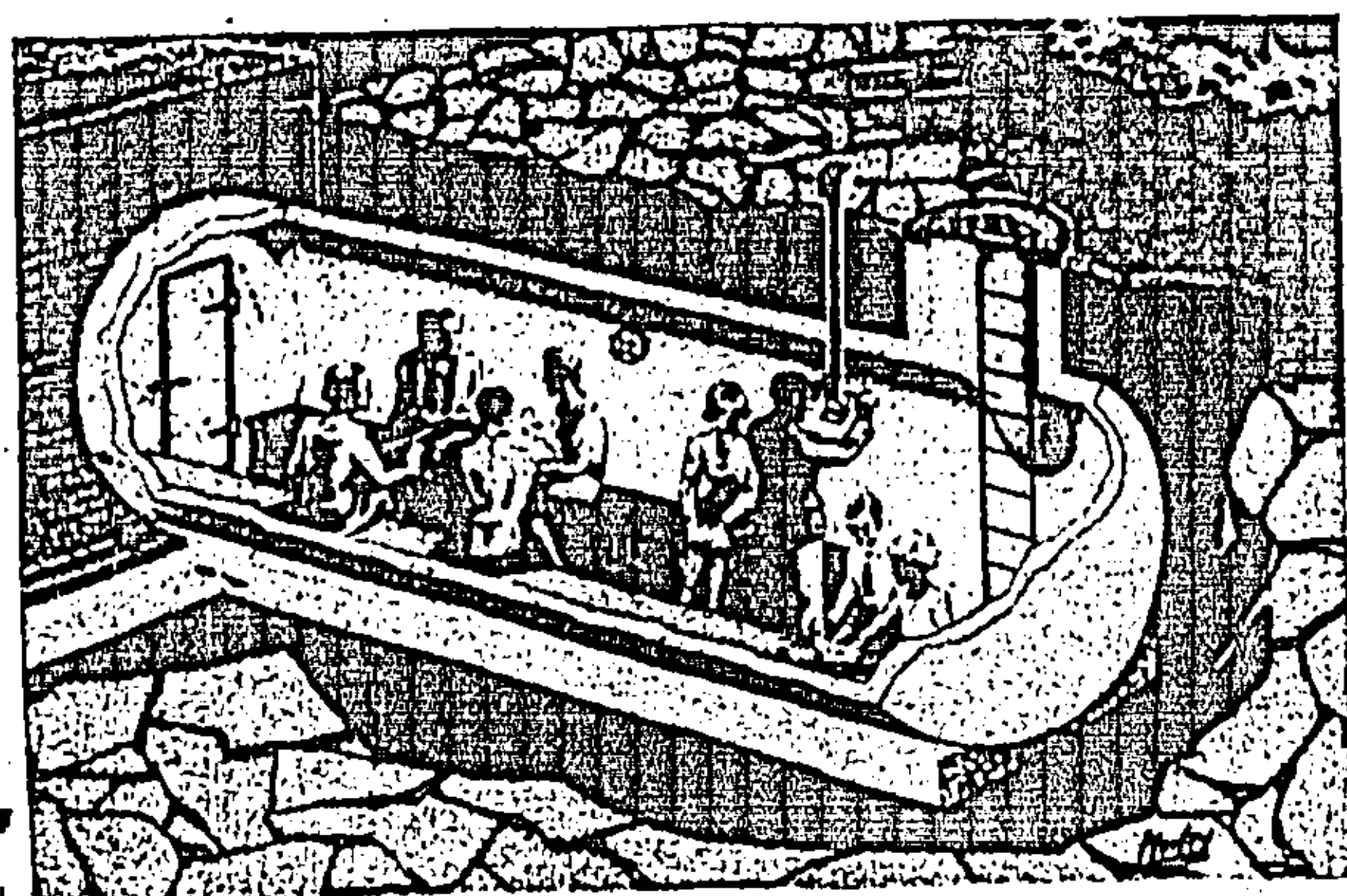
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The special feature of the shelter is the detonating-slab, a massive piece of special concrete which takes the full force of the exploding bomb. So far as is known, it is the only private shelter in Hong Kong protected against a direct hit by this means.

Measuring 37 feet by 34 by three deep, the slab alone took 350,250-lb. bags of special cement, and had to be laid "in one go," taking exactly 22 hours from start to finish.

It more than covers the actual shelter below and when the work is finally completed, will be hidden under the front lawn. Between the bottom of the slab and the top of the shelter are five feet of mixed earth and sand, an effective cushion for the concussion effects of the exploding bomb.

Deep Down

The shelter itself, deep down in the ground, consists of an air-tight, water-tight concrete chamber measuring 12 feet by 15 feet by eight feet high, with reinforced concrete walls, roof and floor a foot thick. Roof and floor are covered with "Snowcrete," while white tiles are used on the four walls, making cleaning easy. Two gas-tight ventilators are fitted, and with these closed the room will accommodate from 15 to 20 people for about three hours in comfort.

Electric light and running water, with a "sealed" drain, are provided, and the "furniture" includes benches and cupboards where tinned food, gas-masks, etc. can be stored.

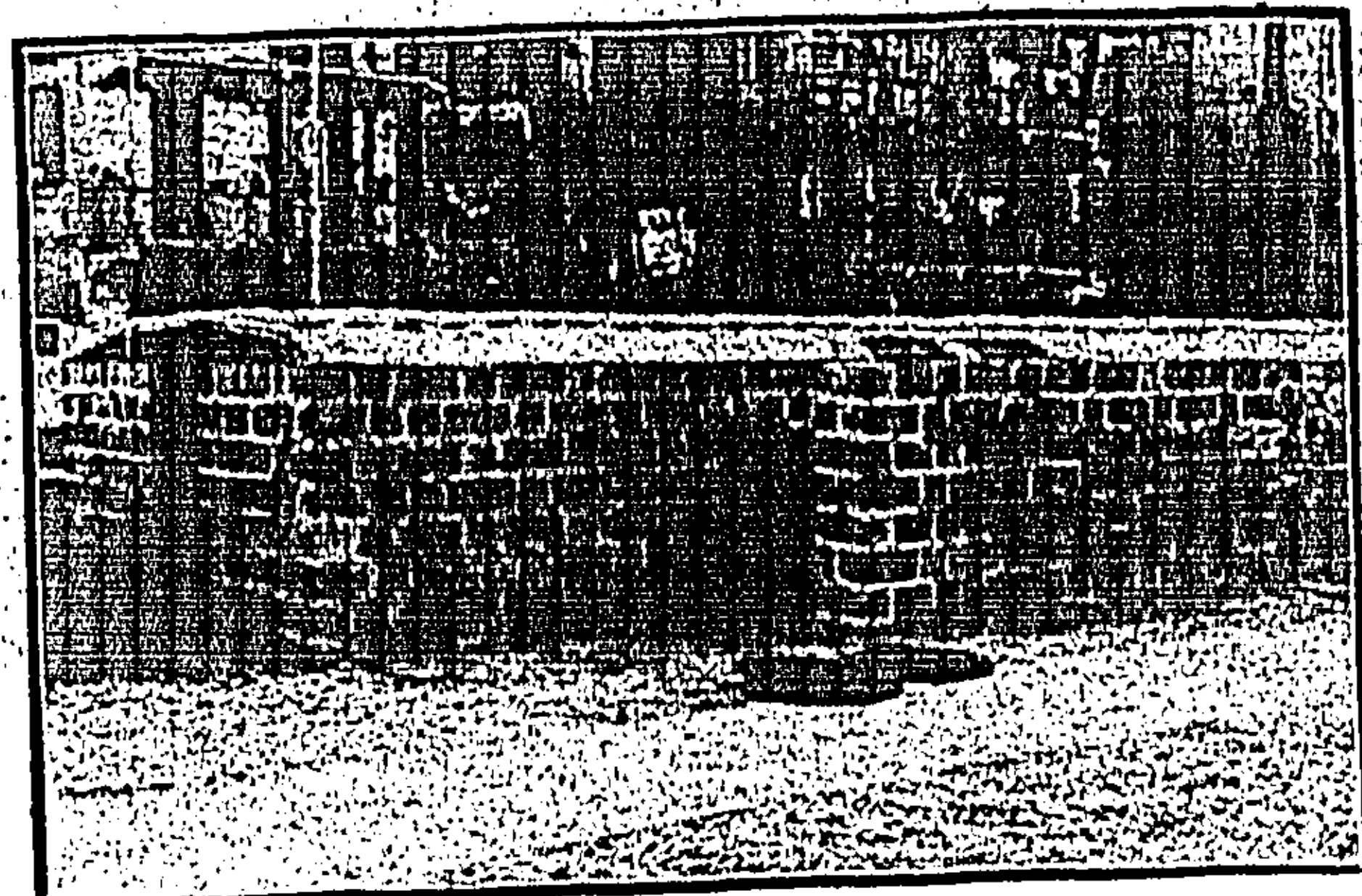
Entrance to the shelter from the house is provided by a small concrete "outhouse" with steps leading down into a long corridor, sloping steeply downward, at the foot of which a gas-tight door opens into the chamber itself, 50 feet away.

Should the entrance be blocked by debris or other damage, those in the chamber can get out through an emergency exit on the other side of the chamber, through another gas-tight door. This opens into a corridor leading out through the hill-side into the pathway below the house, some 30 feet away.

Exits Wide Apart

Entrance and emergency exits are thus almost 100 feet apart, reducing the odds of both being damaged during a raid to a negligible figure. Incidentally, both corridors from the shelter chamber are themselves protected by smaller "wing" detonating slabs similar to the main slab.

Despite the fact that a huge hole had to be dug in the ground to accommodate the shelter, "cushion" of earth, detonating slab, and so on, the complete job was finished within eight weeks of first breaking the turf. Smaller blast-and-splinter-proof shelters can be erected in a quarter of the time.



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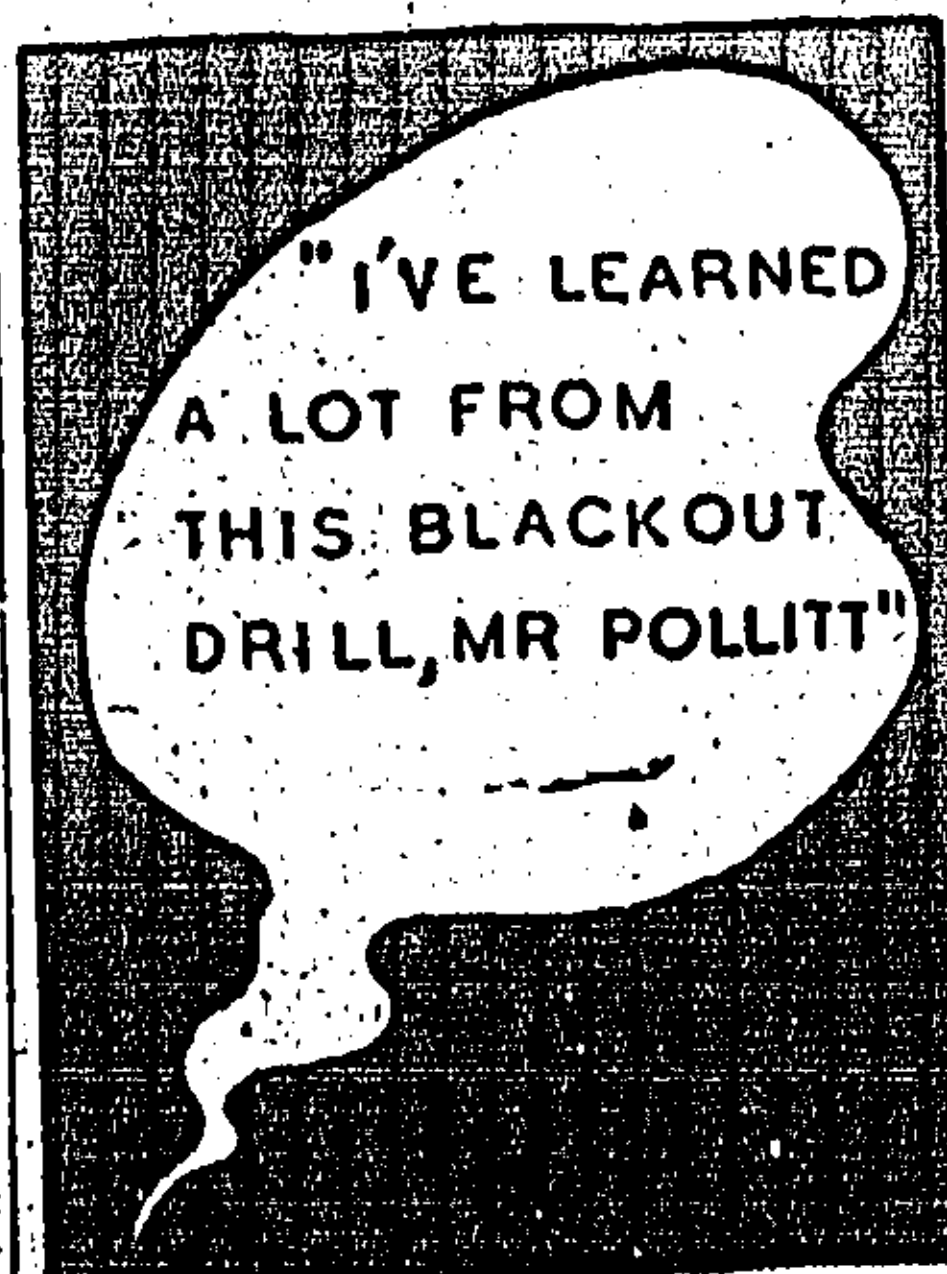
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Development Of The H.K. Corps Of Air Raid Wardens

THE Hong Kong Corps of Air Raid Wardens has been built up from the bottom upwards in the sense that the unit of the organisation, viz., the Post, has been the seed from which the whole tree has grown up.

The Warden's Post is a selected place in a building which has a telephone and is centrally situated as regards a certain area. It is located in a strongly built building, easily protected from blast and collapse and it is further protected by sandbagging.

Around the Post is the Sector. The Sector is a well defined area which can be efficiently patrolled by two wardens patrolling individually. The size of the Sector varies with the density of the population, the nature and vulnerability of surrounding buildings, and the geographical situation of the Sector itself.

The map of District "D," Central Division, shown on this page is a perfect example of the A.R.P. District.

Warden's Job

An Air Raid Warden is chosen as a responsible and reliable member of the public who will undertake to advise and help his fellow citizens in all risks and calamities which might follow from an air attack. His responsibilities when on duty are confined to his post and his sector.

A warden should know who lives in his sector, who are the people that can be relied upon to help in an emergency, and who are those likely to need help on account of age or infirmity.

A warden must know where are the Fire Hydrants, and Fire Posts, if there are any places of special danger such as Petrol Stores, Timber Yards or other premises containing materials which might explode or burn very freely.

He should make a special note of the telephones in his sector which might be used in an emergency. He must learn the locations of all the public shelters or other places of comparative safety. He must keep a list of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of doctors, chemists, and nurses residing in his sector.

In Time Of War

In time of War a warden helps to clear the streets, to direct people to the nearest public shelters and he himself takes shelter during a raid. If bombs have fallen in his sector the first duty of an Air Raid Warden is to get a report through to his Post, to give local gas warnings, and any individual help he can give without delaying the sending of his reports.

The Warden must see that all the people in a building where an incendiary bomb has been dropped are warned of the incident and told to evacuate the building. When rescue parties, Fire Brigade, or the Police arrive a warden is to be ready to guide them and explain to them what has happened. After the raid the warden must

go round the streets of the sector to complete his work and find out if there are any casualties who are not attended to.

The keynotes of the Warden's conduct are courage and presence of mind.

Important Post

The Sector is under the command of a Senior Warden who has a Deputy and four Air Raid Ward-

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Deputy Chief A.R.W.
For Hong Kong

ens under him. As the strength of the organisation grows, it is intended to double the number of

Next to the Sector comes the Group which is purely an administrative echelon consisting of not more than three Sectors and commanded by a Group Warden who acts as Liaison Officer between the District Wardens and the Senior Wardens. His duties are similar to those of a Senior Warden, but he must speak Chinese and English, and, if possible, be an A.R.P. Instructor.

The Sectors are all grouped in a District which consists of not more than thirty-six Sectors and is commanded by a District Warden assisted by two Deputies.

Divisional Areas

Finally the Districts are grouped into a Division, the boundaries



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representing a required minimum strength of 3390 Wardens, not counting the Officers, and Group Wardens.

After a Warden has been attested he is sent to a Sector in the District of the Division where he lives. As a general rule the warden is allotted to that Sector where he lives or to one nearby. He is immediately taken in charge by his Senior Warden who makes him familiar with the area in which he will work by giving him a map of the Sector and taking him over the ground.

At weekly meetings which are held in the district meeting room the warden undergoes collective training to complete the knowledge he has received in the course of lectures prior to his attestation.

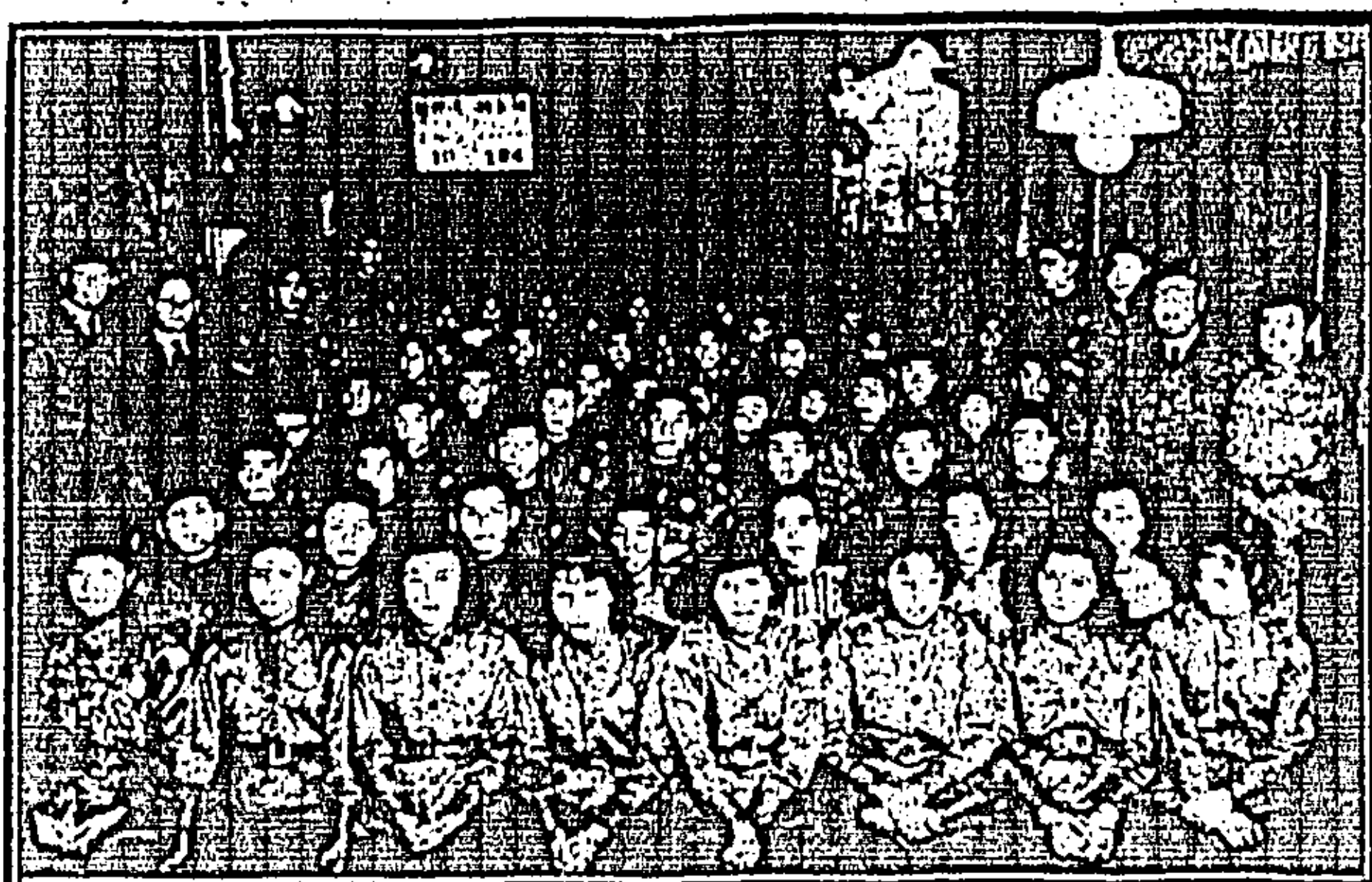
After having passed his collective training class the warden participates in Sector exercises on the ground as well as indoors. In addition, once or twice a month, the warden goes through half an hour or so of Squad drill to render him fit to parade with the Corps if the occasion arises.

Promotion in the Corps is rapid. An officer is always on the lookout for Wardens who speak both English and Chinese and who show keenness and initiative in their work.

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Mr. B. H. Pucklè, D.S.O., Deputy Director for Air Raid Precautions.



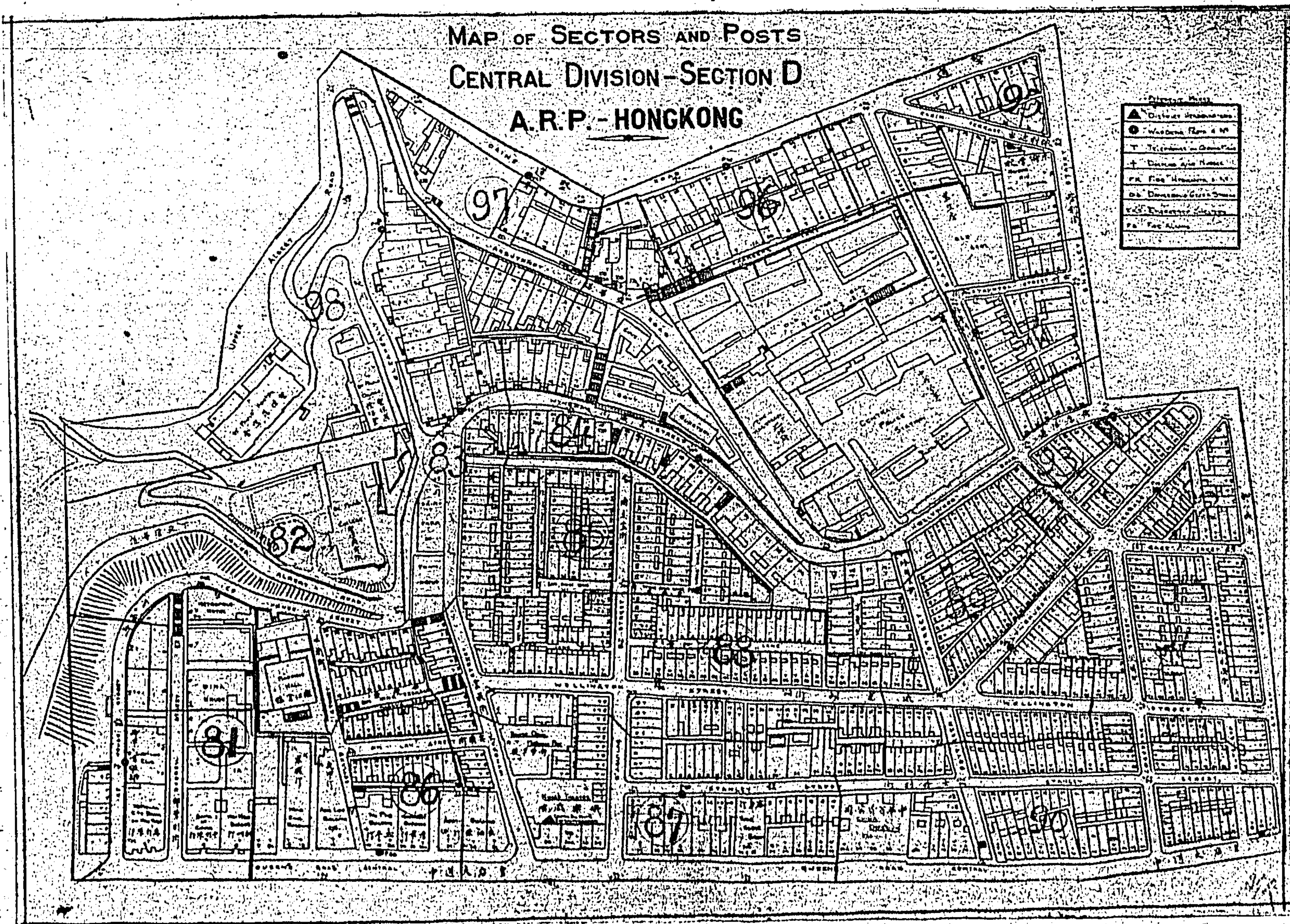
One of the classes (District "E" of Central Division, under District Warden J. C. Lang) at No. 252, Hollywood Road.

Wardens so as to have shorter working shifts. The duties of a Senior Warden are very important. Apart from taking complete charge of his Post, he must have a thorough knowledge of everything in his Sector, on the same lines as the ordinary warden but more thoroughly if possible.

In selecting a Senior Warden the Officers taken into consideration the age, integrity and respectability of the candidate.

of which are identical with those of the Police Districts of Hong Kong. It follows that some Divisions have many more districts than others. A division is commanded by a Divisional Warden assisted by two Deputies.

In Hong Kong, eleven Divisions have been formed, and in these divisions, with the exception of Pokfulam and Stanley Divisions which are at the moment being completed, there are 565 Sectors



Hats Off To Britain's Heroes Of A.R.P.

Grins behind grime; jests behind tragic memories, just going on and on, oblivious of everything but the task allotted them. That is how I have seen men, now heroes in this air battle of Britain, once derided by so many as "hobby hunters."

We have known them as A.R.P. and A.F.S. workers. Workers! By God, they are that. Here is my own experience.

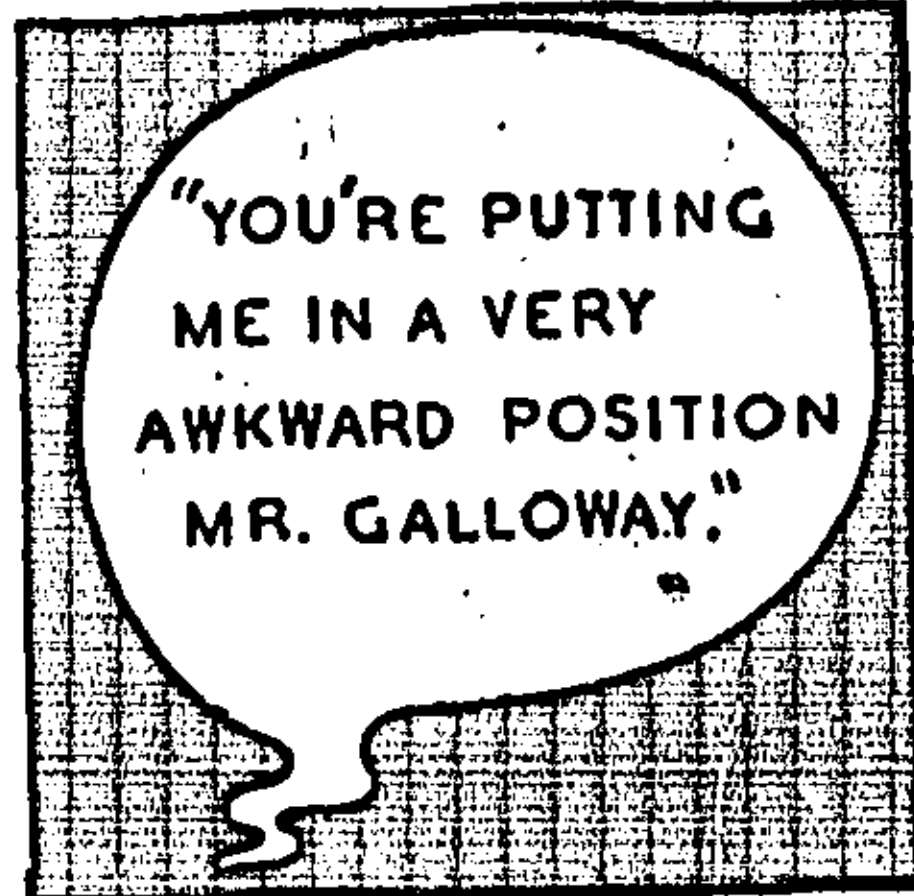
During the height of a night raid a bomb crashes into my garden. Three women and a child are huddled together against the staircase of the house, which is rocked to its foundations by the first shock. There's no panic. One has the presence of mind to look through a window and see what has happened.

There is a crater in the garden. Next she attracts the attention of a policeman, and here is where our Civil Defence workers came into it.

A warden took in the situation in mere seconds. A delayed action bomb! Out he bundled the three women and child; with the help of a colleague put the child into her perambulator, fixed the hood, and as amid the rain of bombs and gunfire this tragic trek from danger to safer covering went on, these A.R.P. men, joined by a third warden, guarded the child with their bodies as they laboriously wheeled the pram along.

Those three women and child are very dear to me: their safety means a lot to me—a lost home little. When I arrived to find them sheltering in a neighbour's house, they could exclaim only: "Thank God for those A.R.P. men."

There are thousands, no doubt, with similar experiences sharing the sentiment I hold: "Thank God for those A.R.P. men." But let us not forget them. Remember, they have left behind them their own wives and children to watch yours;



Heard in the black-out.

braving the dangers of bombs, shrapnel and, perhaps, death.

Under Wreckage

"You are doing great work," was a Royal tribute to a husband and wife, wardens together, when the King visited a bombed area. The King could not have known just what "great work" it was done by the wife. It was her

husband's secret until, after they had received the King's congratulations, he told me. This was his story.

"I had spent a day at my work, and my wife had been doing bits of housework and answering warnings. The dread darkness, and before we had had time to get up from a hurried meal the alarm took us out on duty. We each went to our sections. Then came the bombs. A dwelling-house was hit, and I rushed to see bodies of men, women and children buried in the debris. I sought help in extricating them and began to get on with it. It was tearing aside wooden structure, moving heavy masonry and risking further collapses, but there was the job and I had to do it.

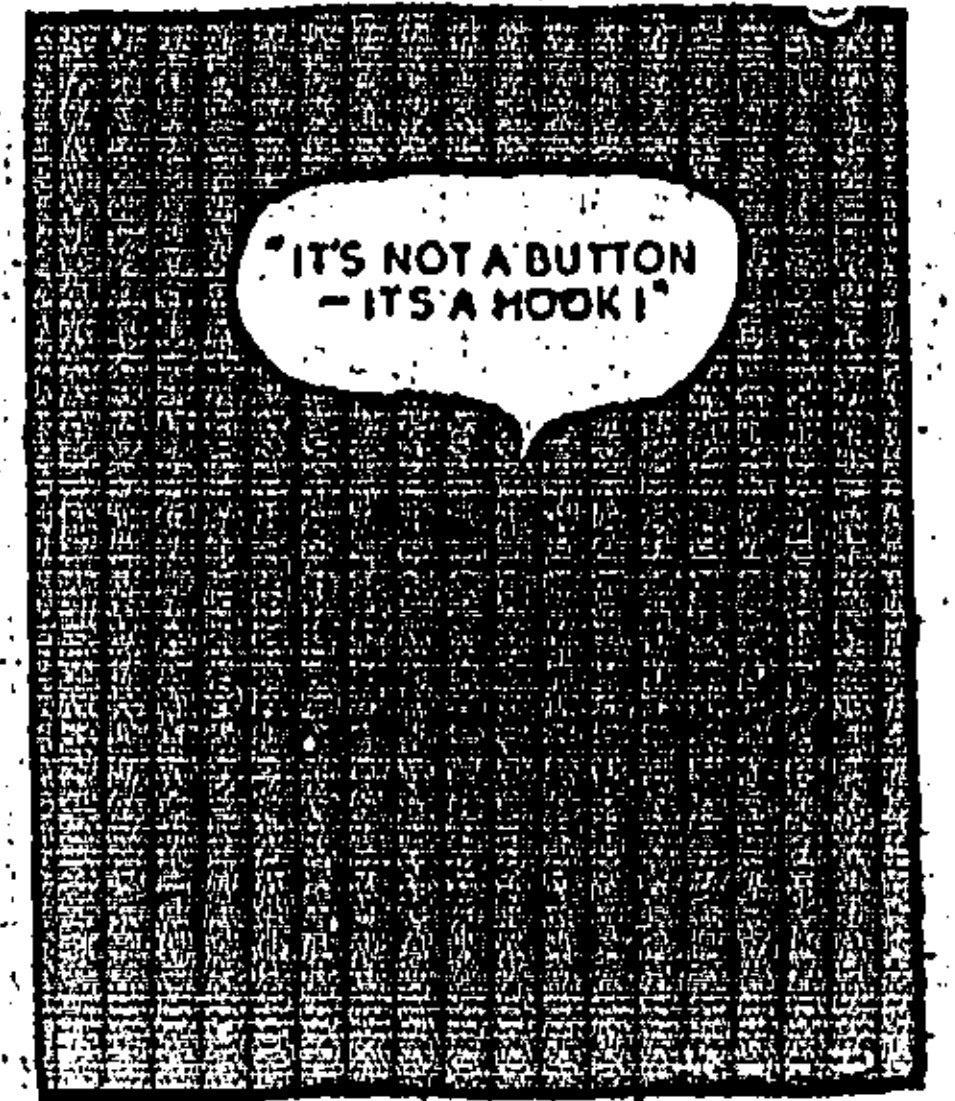
"Imagine, then, my utter amazement when, in giving assistance to a fellow warden, I found I was helping my wife! There she was, struggling in the blinding dust, her hands bleeding, feverishly pulling and pushing wreckage that was trapping children. And all the time the rage of the raid continued, with bombs and shrapnel falling around her. Many men would have shirked such hazards, I know, but not my wife.

Fire Service

"How she got there I do not know. But she went on through the hours, dishevelled, cut and

bruised almost to exhaustion. That was my wife. Her consolation for the discomforts and hurts is the salvation of so many of those

By
William Gibbons



Heard in the Black-out.

trapped people—and the 'Thank You' from the King."

And now to the other side of the picture, reflecting in brilliance the achievements of the A.F.S. I watched (in my capacity as reporter) with wonderment and trepidation. How could these mere

humans fight such an adversary whose flaming claws sought to engulf them? There would be no staying its advance, I thought. But there was.

The Technique Of A.R.P. Training

Extensive training of Air Raid Wardens is now being carried out throughout the Colony to raise the efficiency of Wardens, part of the training being in the nature of Sector Exercises.

In the Course of these Sector Exercises, the Wardens on duty are approached by Umpires who show them "Incident" Cards printed in English and Chinese as reproduced below.

The Wardens have to take certain action on becoming aware of the nature of the "Incident" and the quickness with which they act is carefully noted by the Umpires. Below are reproduced "Incident" Cards of an Incendiary Bomb (Incident No. 8), a Gas Bomb (Incident No. 9), and a High Explosive (Incident No. 10) together with their solutions:

"Incident" No. 8

Be calm — Brief; Clear and Quick.

At this moment an incendiary bomb falls on the timber yard in front of which I am standing.

There is a serious fire. No Casualties.

A fire pump is already engaged in a sector nearby.

The Solution

The Warden will send a message to the Report Centre on the following points:—

Message:—
Air raid damage.
Post No.
Position of occurrence.
Time of occurrence.
Incendiary Bomb.
No casualties.
Fire serious.
Fire Brigade, stating that a pump is engaged elsewhere.
Message ends.
Warden's action:—Note time and location of occurrence. As the fire is serious it is almost certain that everybody in or near the timber yard has left the location, but make sure of that fact. Report to Post and return to location to wait services. Because the fire is serious the fact that a pump is engaged elsewhere should be reported to the Fire Brigade, in case the latter might not send another pump to deal with the fire but might take it that the first pump is free to deal with this incident.
Service Required.—Fire Brigade.

"Incident" No. 9

Be calm — Brief; Clear and Quick.

Three minutes before you arrived here, a gas bomb fell on the pavement on which I am standing.

There is a smell of garlic.
The house in front of which I am standing is splashed with a dark brown oily liquid and in the house are four (4) people not wearing respirators.
The roadway is heavily contaminated.

The Solution

The Warden will send a message to the Report Centre on the following points:—

Air raid damage.
Post No.
Position of occurrence.
Time of occurrence.

One poison-gas—persistent—mustard.

Four casualties—by gas.
No fire.

Road blocked by liquid gas.
Direction of the wind.

Warden's action:—Don respirator—be careful not to stand on the contaminated pavement—note time and location of occurrence—lead the people who are in the house to a place of safety through the back door—report to Post, return to location and wait services and rail off contaminated area. Since the people in the house are not wearing respirators they must be regarded as casualties and must be reported as Gas casualties. If they are only indicated as "Casualties" it is possible that they may be injured otherwise than by gas even by a gas bomb.

Services required:—Medical — Decontamination Squad.

"Incident" No. 10

Be calm — Brief; Clear and Quick.

You have a bomb exploding with a loud noise. You arrive here and notice that the house in front of which I am standing and two houses on each side of it are demolished.

Five houses on the other side of this street are badly damaged and unsafe.

No casualties, but a policeman, who was sheltering farther down the street, has been killed.

Water is gushing from the crater caused by the bomb and is running towards the East end of this street. No other mains damaged.
No fire.

While you are investigating you also notice a faint smell of garlic.

The Solution

The Warden will send a message to the Report Centre on the following points:—

Air raid damage.
Post No.
Position of occurrence.
Time of occurrence.
H.E.
No casualties.
No fire.
Water main broken.
Road blocked.

Three houses demolished, five houses on opposite side of street damaged and unsafe.

One Police Constable killed—mustard gas present but bomb not located.—Wind direction.

Warden's action:—Note time and location, warn off people in surrounding houses.

Since gas is smelt, don respirator, and give gas alarm down wind, and then give warning of flooding towards Eastern end of the street. Then report to Post and return to scene to see that people and traffic are kept from crater and damaged houses. Warn people in direct path of gas to move to shelter elsewhere. Receive and direct services. Gas bomb may or may not have fallen in same sector as H.E. but no time to investigate before report H.E. Presence of gas should be notified in H.E. report. If assistance available from Police or other Wardens, search for gas upwind but not outside sector. The houses which are damaged and unsafe might collapse at any moment and so must be reported as they are likely to endanger the public.

Services required:—Water main, road repair and demolition squad. Decontamination squad is not required until gas bomb has been located.

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A. R. P. In Kowloon

THE early history of A.R.P. in Kowloon is mainly one of ground work in the way of instructional lectures and propaganda by district committees in an endeavour to make the populace A.R.P. minded.

It soon became apparent that Kowloon would have to be organised and administered as a separate entity if the best results were to be obtained and therefore on the 8th September, 1939, a Chief Air Raid Warden for Kowloon, New Kowloon and the New Territories was appointed in the person of Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E. In September, 1939, Mr. C. E. Terry, L.A.G.I. was appointed Deputy C.A.R.W., and Mr. L. Bones, L.A.G.I., Head Warden.

The Kowloon area was divided for administration purposes into six divisions, conforming to the Police Divisions. Divisional Wardens were appointed in charge of each Division, who formed their Divisional Committees with the conveners of the old District Sub-Committees as their Vice-Chairmen.

Six Divisions

The six Kowloon Divisions with their Divisional Wardens are as follows:—

Division	Divisional Warden	Deputy Div. Warden
Tsimshatsui	J. Moodie	J. Ribeiro
Yaumati	G. P. Murphy	H. A. Figueroa
Mongkok	F. E. D'Almeida	A. E. Osmund
Shamshui	E. Himsforth	Hung Man Fook
Kowloon City	C. H. Basto	B. P. C. Fletcher
Hungghom	Lau Ping Kwan	P. L. Wong

The keen interest displayed by the Divisional Officers resulted in the early sub-division of Divisions into Districts under District Wardens and the allocation of Wardens to Posts, and within a surprisingly short space of time it was possible to consider holding divisional exercises. The first daylight exercise in the Colony was therefore staged in Kowloon on 17th December, 1939, when two districts in Yaumati were "bombed". This exercise comprised a practical test of the Wardens' organisation and of all subsidiary



The Chief Air Raid Warden for Kowloon, Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E.

services and provided many valuable lessons. It was attended by H.E. Sir Geoffrey Northcote and by Staff Officers of the Defence Forces, and was not only a test of

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the efficiency of the organisation but provided valuable data on which future training schemes could be based.

In November, 1939, Mr. S. E. Faber, A.F.C. was appointed Technical Adviser to the Chief Air Raid Warden, and coincident with his appointment the formation and training of Rescue & Demolition Squads commenced. With the co-operation of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co., the Hong Kong Engineer-

ing & Construction Co., and the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. squads of men from each of these Companies were organised, equipped and trained as R. & D. Squads. The first of these Squads, namely that from the Kowloon Motor Bus Co., was in action in the daylight exercise in Yaumati, and despite the short time for which they had been undergoing training, made a very capable showing. The expense of equipping and training these Squads was borne entirely by the Companies themselves, and their public-spirited action in this respect deserves the thanks of the community.

New Club

The lack of a central Headquarters in Kowloon to be used for meetings and training and where Wardens could get together and know each other was a serious stumbling block to progress and when, as a result of the Liquidation of Enemy Property, the German Tennis Club at King's Park came into the market, it was acquired by the Director of A.R.P. to serve as a Kowloon Headquarters and Club. The acquisition of this training and social centre gave a considerable impetus to the movement, and on the 15th November, 1939, H.E. Sir Geoffrey Northcote paid an informal visit to the Club and presented certificates and badges to approximately 100 Officers and Wardens.

The Club has been entirely self supporting since its inception and many enjoyable social functions have been held there. Through the generosity of Messrs. Lawrence Kadoorie and J. E. Joseph who made a handsome donation towards furniture and fittings, it became possible to equip an extension to the Club House which has been modernised and now serves as a centre for lectures, divisional meetings and instructional classes as well as providing social amenities for members.

"Active Service" H.Q.

The vitally important question of Communications has been carefully developed and all Divisional Report Centres have been established and the personnel trained in their duties. In addition to the Administrative Headquarters at King's Park, an "active service" Headquarters has been established in a bomb-proof shelter in Tsimshatsui, which serves as the co-ordinating point for all the mainland communications from Report Centres and subsidiary services. On the occasion of the two-days blackout on the 29th/30th October, 1940, a large scale combined communications exercise was staged, when the mainland communications were thoroughly tested and found to work satisfactorily.

On the 5th September, 1940, H.E. the Acting Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, paid a visit to Kowloon and inspected the A.R.P. organisation. After inspecting a parade of the Kowloon Motor Bus R. & D. Squad, the Tsimshatsui Division of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens and the Kowloon Godown Division of St. John Ambulance, His Excellency inspected tunnel shelters on the Braga Estate and watched a demonstration of Rescue and Demolition Party work by the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Company's squads; he subsequently inspected an Anderson type shelter designed and constructed by the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co. and was then entertained to tea at the King's Park Headquarters. His Excellency was good enough to express his appreciation of the high standard of efficiency shown by the various units.

Such was the growth of A.R.P. in Kowloon that in September, 1940, it became obvious that it was no longer possible adequately to co-ordinate the Divisional work by means of the voluntary Officers only, and therefore Mr. M. L. Bevan was appointed from Headquarters to assist, and his services have already shown results in the progress made in all Divisions in their collective training.

Work in the New Territories has been confined mainly to instructional lectures, as the scattered communities make it very difficult to organise the various districts on the same basis as the urban areas.

A division has been formed at Tai Po, however, and it is hoped in the near future to form other divisions in certain of the more closely populated districts. Still more Wardens are required in every Division before the maximum number of posts for 100 per cent. efficiency can be manned, and it is hoped, with the cooperation of the public, to raise the necessary strength in the course of the next few months.

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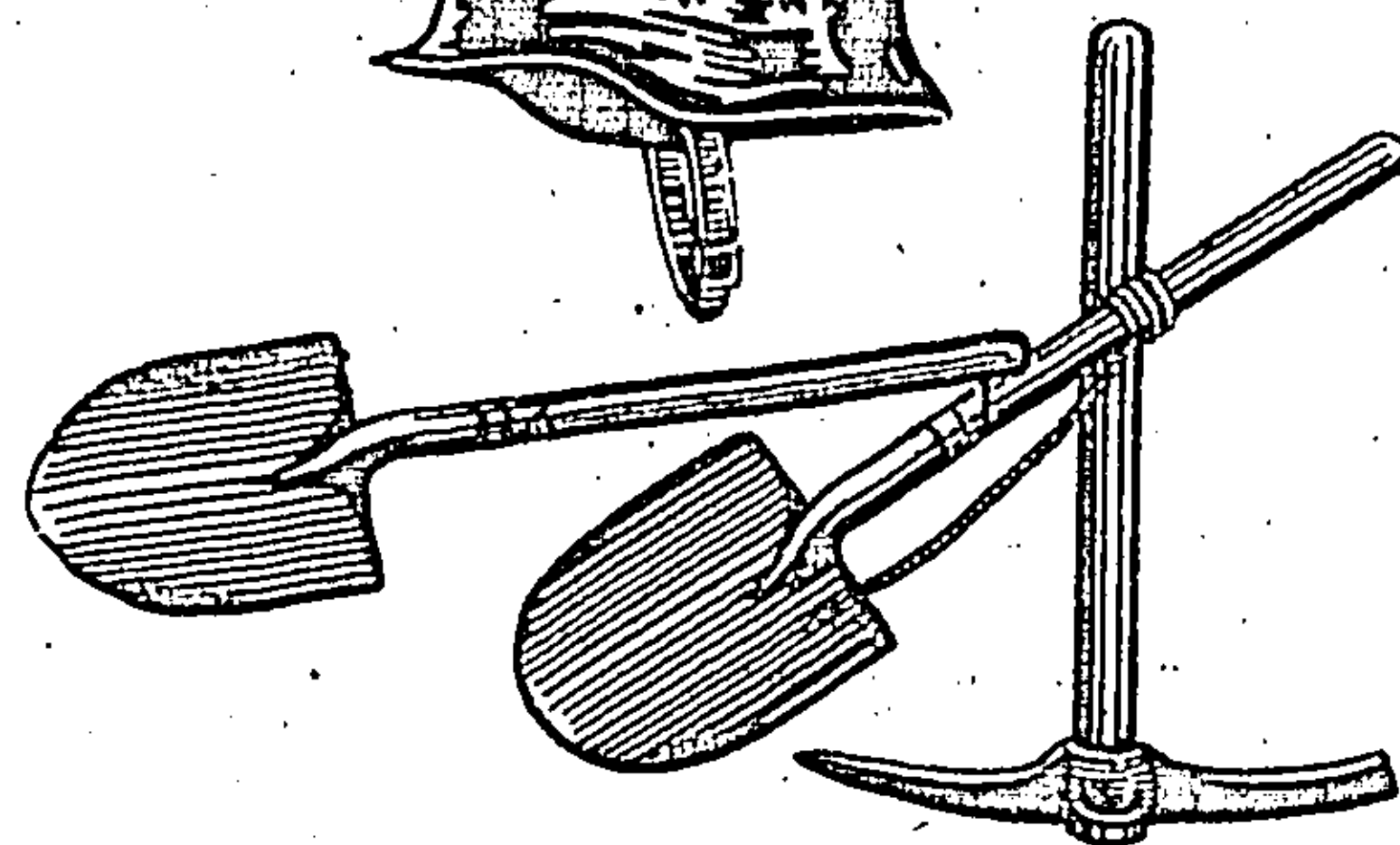
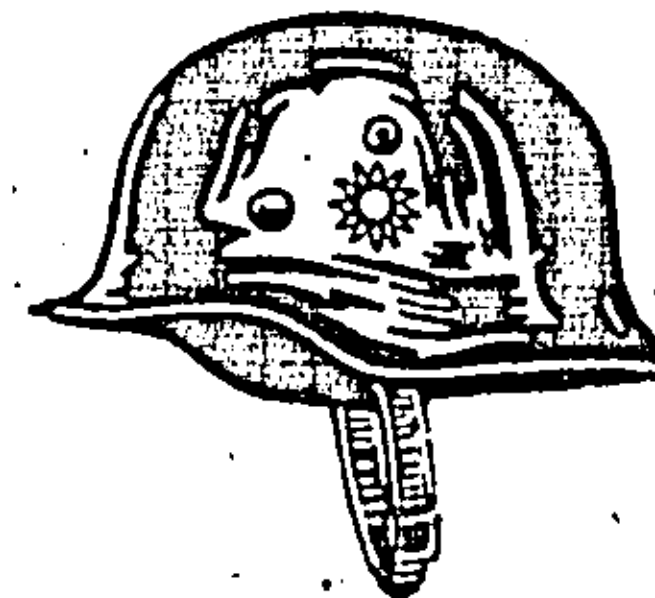
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HONEY PHRASES REPLACE JIBES AT THE SOVIET

ONCE UPON A TIME, there was a spokesman of the Japanese foreign office who would invariably reply to all questions about Soviet Russia with a weary smile and the words, "In dealing with hysterical girls, it is necessary to employ great patience."

This was fairly mild, by comparison to other Japanese pronouncements about the Reds, writes the Tokyo correspondent of the Associated Press.

In October 1937, Baron General Sadao Araki, former minister of war, told the Associated Press that Bolshevism was "a religion of beasts," described Russia as "a prison without walls," and said Japan probably would have to do something about the whole situation.

Not long afterwards, a foreign office communique described Soviet actions against Japanese in Sakhalin as "utterly unthinkable in any civilised country."

The Lushkov Case

The next year came the famous Lushkov case. One sunny day the government produced a fat, curly haired little man and announced that he was General Ganerich Samoilovich Lushkov, erstwhile commissar of the Far Eastern Red army. The general, it was stated, had found life too hard in Russia, even for a man of his status, and had fled across the border into Manchukuo.

Photographed, interviewed, newscreeled, he became Japan's Exhibit A in the case against the Soviets.

Came 1939, and another crisis when Russia auctioned off—presumably to her own buyers—Japanese fishing concessions. Japanese warships went foaming through northern waters, cleared for action. A retired army officer growled, "Give me one division and I will settle this Sakhalin problem, once and for all."

Meanwhile, in each of these three years, Japan and Russia had fought miniature but full-dress wars on the Amur river, on the Korean border, and in Mongolia.

Japan's Flip-Flop

This is a bare thumb-nail outline of the Japanese attitude toward Russia, until recently. The two nations were perennially in a situation short of war, and frequently not very short of it.

But to-day, there has been a surprising flip-flop in Japan.

The Soviets no longer are "hysterical girls." They are "our northern neighbours." Japanese travellers no longer describe starving masses of Russian peasants, begging along the trans-Siberian railways. There are no more fulminations in Japanese newspapers, no more demonstrations in front of the Soviet embassy, no more Soviet automobiles crowded into the curb by patriotic Japanese taxi-drivers.

On the contrary, Japan is paying ardent courtship to the Soviets, plunking the diplomatic guitar under Moscow's windows and breathing honeyed words of love.

To-day, more than ever before, Russia is the big factor in Japan's foreign problem. Japan is now "tied in" with Germany and Italy, pledged to fight for them against any new belligerents in the European war. This means, particularly, the United States.

Those Northern Frontiers

But to do that, Japan's northern frontiers must be guaranteed. She cannot afford to throw her military and naval strength into action without some assurance that Russia won't seize the opportunity to settle many long-standing problems.

Therefore, the Siberian-Mongolian boundary is being clearly marked, after years of ambiguity and friction. Difficulties over joint fishing, mining and oil concessions in Sakhalin appear to have been settled.

Japan would like to crown the rapprochement with a non-aggression treaty.

The go-between for Japan and Russia in all this is reported to be the German foreign office. Left to themselves, Japan and the Soviets might never be able to resolve

their conflicting interests. The Germans, it is understood here, are taking the lead in the practical aspects. The Japanese contribution is a flood of edification and cozening.

"It is silly," said a Japanese diplomat recently, "for two potential friends to squabble for an obscure corner of Asia."

FACTS ABOUT NAZI A.A. GUNS

What is described as a "Strangers' Guide to 'Flak'" has been prepared by Air Ministry experts. "Flak" means anti-aircraft fire, and is derived from the initial letters of "Flieger Abwehr Kanone"—the gun which drives off raiders. The word "Flak" is probably used in every Bomber Command pilot's report after a raid on Germany. Usually the report deals with its presence; occasionally with its absence from some target area.

The guide deals, in convenient form, with the range, calibre, weight, and type of shell, and rate of fire. There are two principal kinds of "Flak"—light and heavy. The former is from guns of calibres between 1in. and 2in. and the weight of the shell increases from under half a pound to 3 1-3lb. The rate of fire decreases as the range, weight, and calibre of the shell increases. The German 20mm., for example, fires about 160 rounds a minute up to 7,000ft., while the 47mm. gun fires 25 rounds a minute to a height of more than three miles.

Light "Flak" fire tracer shells which burst on impact and have self-destructing detonators; that is to say, they explode in the air even if they miss the target, and, therefore, cannot drop back on the ground and explode. Heavy "Flak" do not fire tracers. They fire time-fuse shells, and range from the 75mm. gun, throwing shells to 20,000ft. at the rate of 15 a minute, to the 105mm., firing 10 32-pounder shells a minute up to 30,000ft.

At night or in cloud fire can be directed by sound locators, but this method is naturally less accurate than visual shooting. Our own anti-aircraft batteries have guns equal to and even better than those of the Germans, and during the recent large-scale raids our gunners have obtained an encouraging number of successes.

TAILPIECE

A squadron of Coastal Command Blenheims recently bombed a German aerodrome on the Norwegian coast.

The place was so badly damaged that the Germans painted a huge notice on the landing ground, saying in effect:

"Unserviceable — Don't Land here."

Next day one of the same Blenheims came over to see what damage had been done in the raid.

The pilot read the notice, dived — and shattered the warning with his bombs!

More than 200 enemy aircraft have now been shot down by pilots of Auxiliary squadrons of the R.A.F. Fighter Command.

THE KEAS ARE STUMPED

Some Zoo birds have such destructive beaks that they keep the repairs department constantly busy. Woodpeckers, budgerigars and cockatoos are persistent offenders.

Worst of all are the keas. Three of these olive-green sheep-killing parrots have been living at the parrot house since their arrival last year from South Island, New Zealand; and though they have only short, curved beaks, they do an incredible amount of damage.

Sometimes they chew their cage-wires until the whole area has to be rewired. Sometimes they batter their nesting-boxes until the woodwork becomes unserviceable.

More recently, the keas attacked the door leading to their sleeping-quarters, and played such havoc with the woodwork there that they could no longer be shut in at night.

Now, the keepers have thought of a way out of their difficulties.

In the keas' cage they have placed several tree-stumps, well furnished with bark.

Of course, the keas don't know it, but these tree-stumps have been provided specially for them to ruin. And ruin them they do!

Every now and then the birds make a "dead set" at one of the stumps and peck away at it till they have stripped off all the bark and damaged much of the wood behind. Then they forgoth on one of their perches and contemplate their handiwork — or "beakwork" — with evident satisfaction.

As a rule they are not left long to enjoy their triumph; for the keepers remove the damaged stump and replace it with a new one!

MONARCHY IN FRANCE ?

Unconfirmed reports circulating in the Italian court were to the effect that French monarchists were working for the restoration of the monarchy in France and were seeking Adolf Hitler's consent, says an Associated Press despatch from Rome.

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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Tanned Beauty

Just to encourage you to get out under the sun, and tan a captivating coffee au lait, one of the cosmetic firms has introduced a new make-up consisting of rich dark powder, a captivating red lipstick with rouge and nail polish to match.

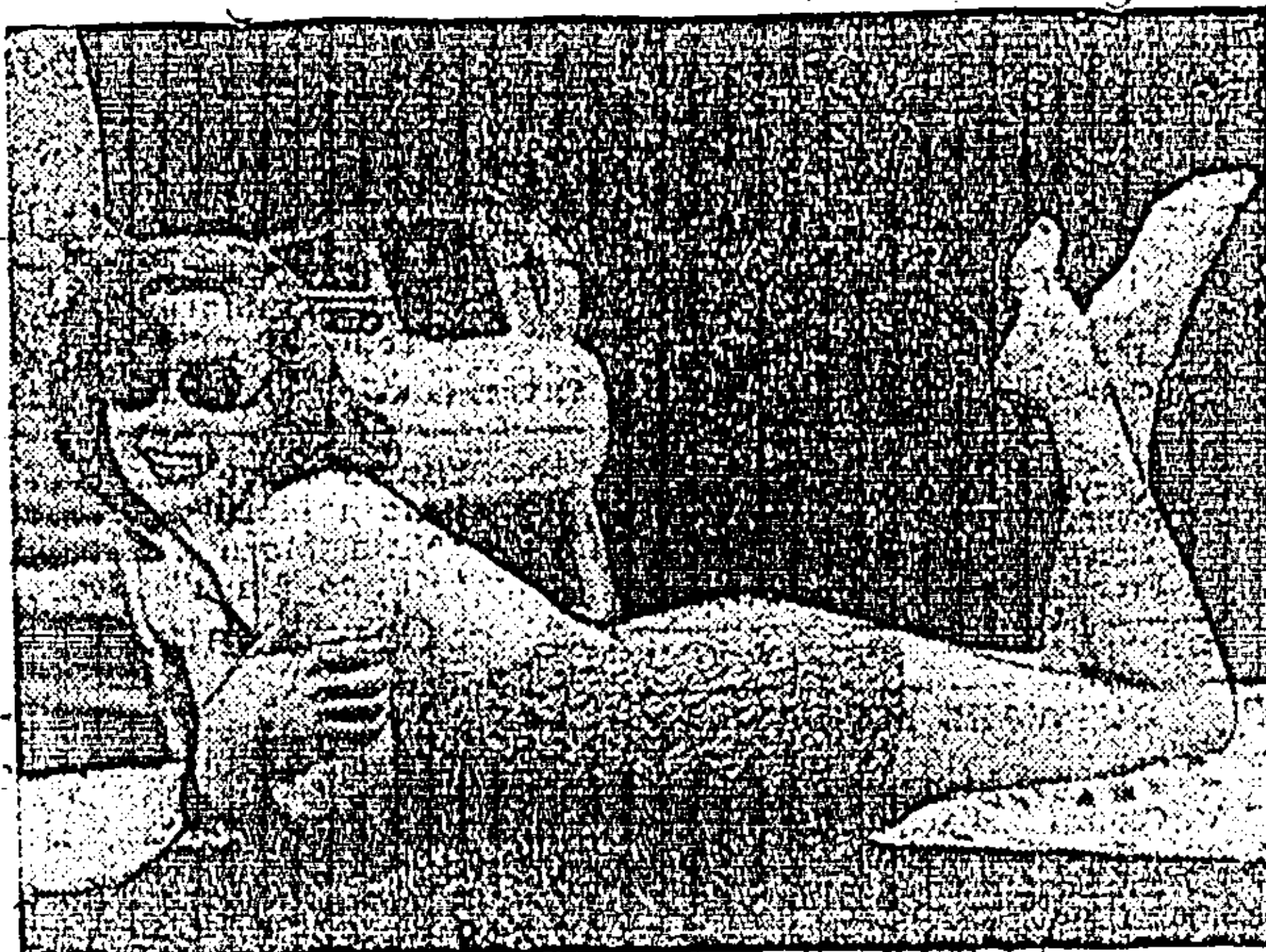
This new blend of colours is definitely for the brunette, and perhaps that is why so many of our glamour girls throughout the country have taken to tinting their hair darker. Indeed these rich luscious colours are enough to make any pale blonde yearn to be a Latin charmer!

To Keep You Fresh

These days are still warm days and a harmless underarm deodorant is still as necessary to your radiance as in mid-summer - never forget that! The newest mixture of such an aid is a mere vanishing cream which actually does a very good job in keeping one dainty. You apply it after a shower or bath with the snug assurance that even the sheerest of fabrics, which may touch it, will not be harmed.

For Thigh Ease

Again I'm bringing to your attention those marvellous little aids which spell comfort to women whose thighs perspire. A jersey shield fits snugly beneath your girdle and prevents chafing - worn instead of panties for great



One of the screen's most charming redheads, SUSAN HAYWARD, takes pride in toasting an attractive beige colour, but she takes the precaution to protect her eyes from the sun glare, and her skin from the sun's damaging rays.

ter ease and coolness. They launder like a flunky and have gained favour with stout and thin alike since they made their debut.

Keeps Skin Soft

I hear lots of praise for that rather new protective preparation

which gives your skin a dewy look the year round. Dry skin ladies, especially, rave about it, for its transparency permits their current skin colouring to come to the fore. No pasty, lighter look which many make-up foundations give to the skin. In fact, during warm days, you may use it without powder - lipstick only. It gives your skin the necessary screening from the sun and at the same time, a softness which is tempting to the touch. The same mixture may be used on back and chest and arms when night life calls for a low cut gown and powdered skin.

For Prettier Tresses

In dry atmosphere your hair needs a beauty kit too. Daily lubrication of curled ends is absolutely necessary and most scalps respond gratefully to a bit of tonic or pomade between shampoos. Few of us realise that our scalps perspire as freely as the rest of our bodies, so a thorough cleansing after a warm day with a special preparation is a boon to hair loveliness and personal daintiness.

You are absolutely and always at the mercy of your elders. You teachers must always keep in mind your own childhood and its fears and miseries. Remember how you resolved that you would be different towards children when you were vested in the august garments of authority, still try to see the world through the eyes of a powerless child. Do not be like the little boy who, because he was often beaten, said to his father that he longed to be grown-up so that he could do a lot of beating himself. . . . Too often this is the attitude adopted by the mature. They "get their own back" on an unkind world by being unkind themselves.

I do not wish to imply that all teachers are like this but unfortunately too many still are. We love to criticise the Dictators in the realms of politics - but as parents, as teachers, as heads of institutions do we not also experience the profound satisfaction of being petty dictators, and are we ourselves above criticism? Teachers, the physical well-being and the character of the future citizens of this country are in your hands to a great extent, try to be understanding and sympathetic rather than stiffly disciplinarian - you deal with sensitive human material and not with machines.

Addressed To Teachers

Do you realise how great is the responsibility that rests upon your shoulders? Do you fully realise that your pupils' future physical, mental and moral qualities may be moulded by your sympathy, knowledge and affection and marred by lack of these?

You will notice that I placed "physical" before the other qualities; I did it expressly. A young growing creature needs to have a good if not perfect body before it can acquire other qualities. I am not one of those who place "soul" before body - I would save the body first and allow the soul to develop later, if it cannot be done simultaneously.

I have seen too many beautiful and gentle "souls" perish by the wayside for want of adequate physical knowledge and protection.

In the course of your day in the schoolroom how do you react to the request of a child to leave the room or to go and lie down as he or she has a headache? Do you snap and say "no" because it is the easiest thing for you to do at the moment and you do not like to be interrupted?

I have known a sensitive new pupil to be so over-awed by the teacher as to suffer in silence rather than interrupt the lesson with a personal request. This sort of thing happens only with a certain type of unsympathetic teacher.

I have also known a child who, a fortnight earlier, had to have the doctor called in because of illness, to be refused to go and lie down on a Sunday while at boarding school. There were no lessons that day only Church-going and play yet the request was refused - on what grounds I do not know.

The child suffered all the torments of an acute headache on that day - and the next - and the next - but still she was not permitted to indulge in the timely balm of a few hours' rest because she had no fever! But on the third day she got the fever all right and was then allowed to rest . . . after a relative had come to see her and insisted on it - otherwise she would have had to take part in the dancing lesson.

It is one of the curses of being a child that you have no power.



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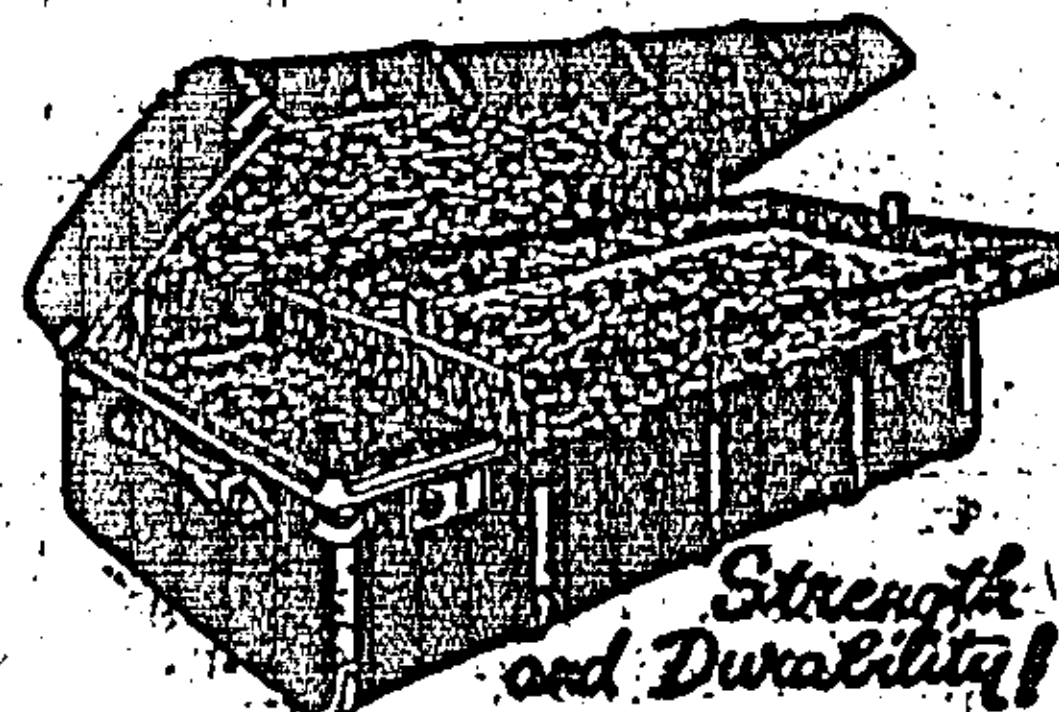
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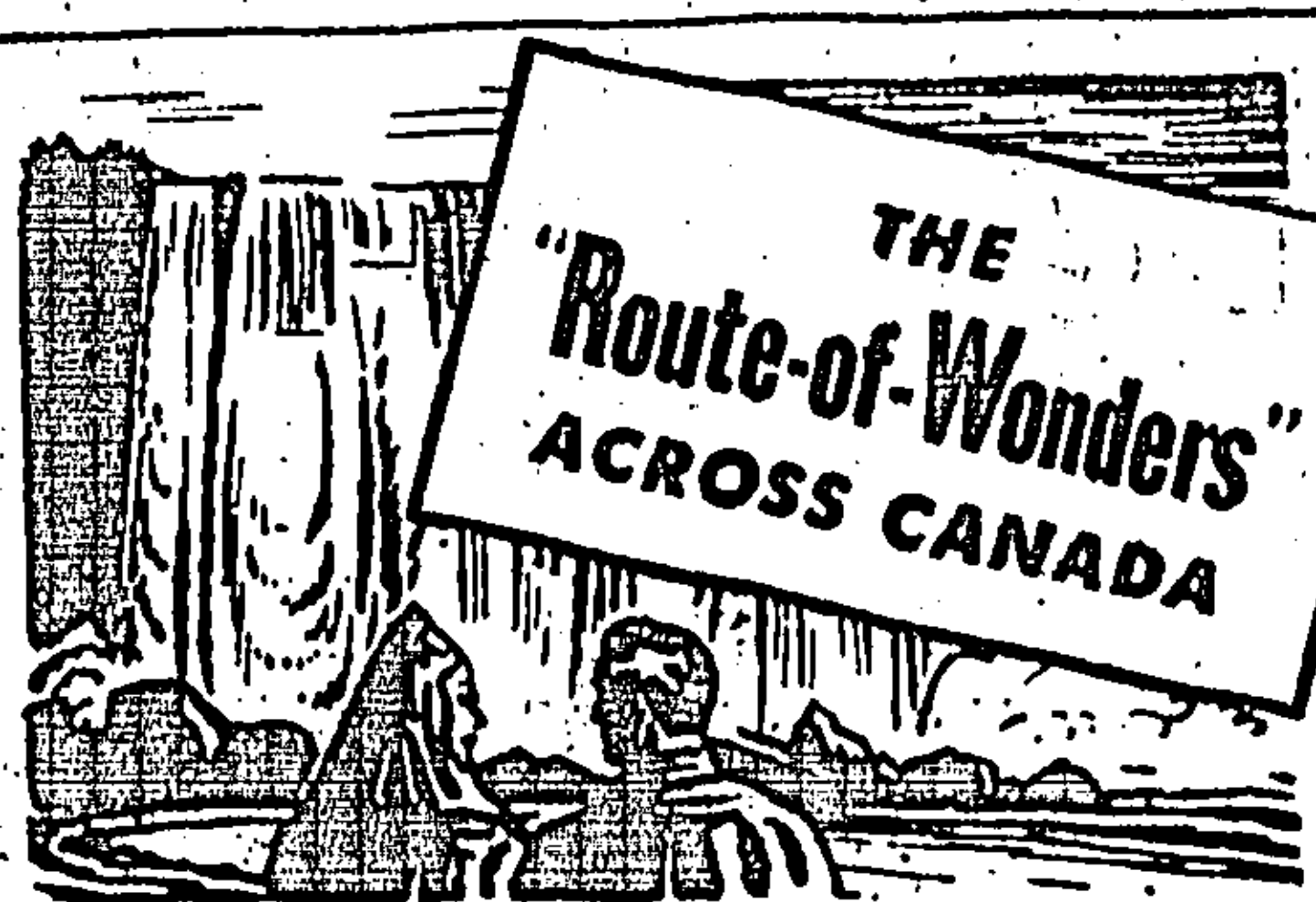
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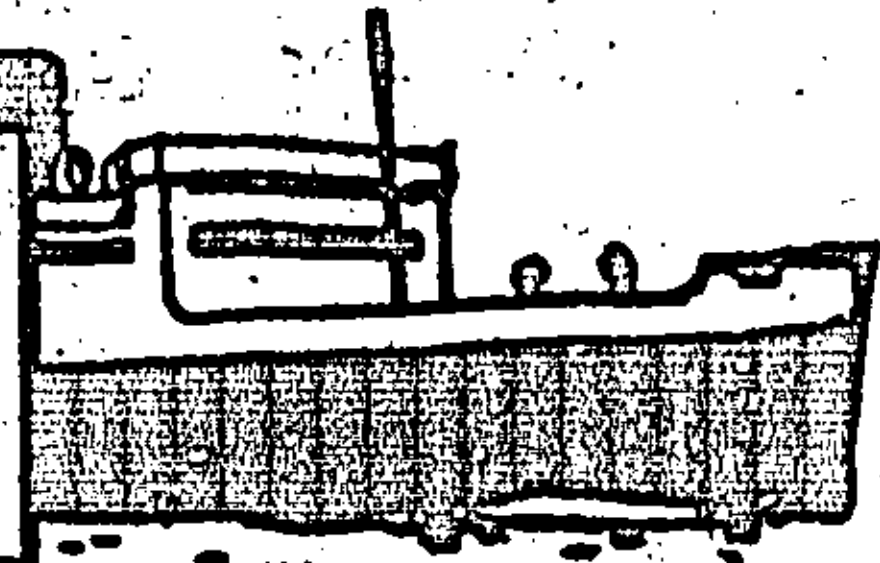
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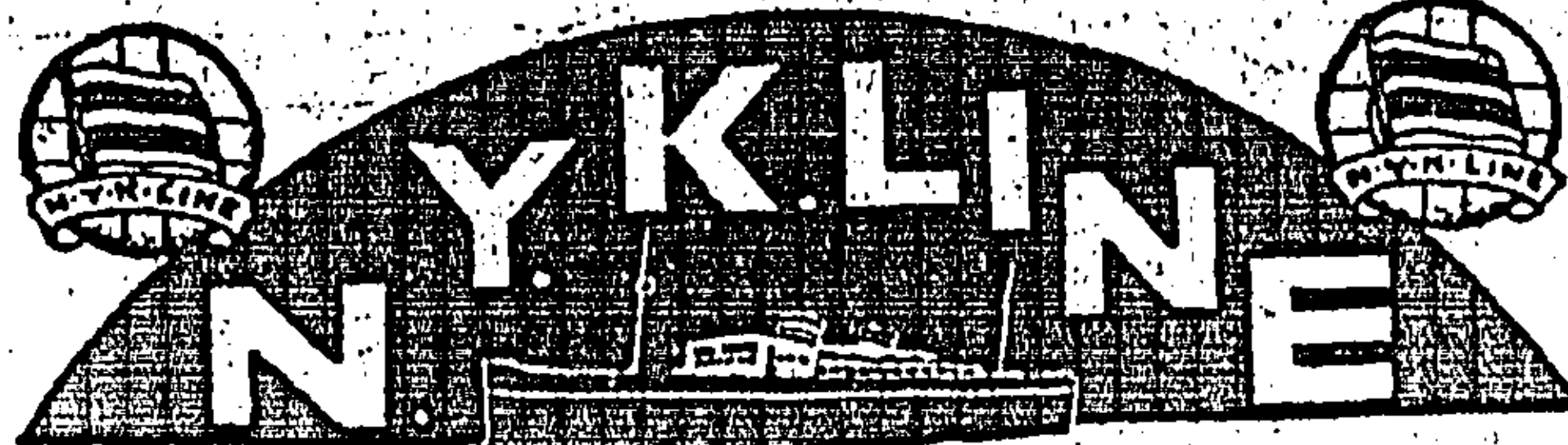
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1.30 p.m.—Router & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Dance Music by Harry Roy and His Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.02 p.m.—Dance Music.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Carry On" or "The Happy Half-Hour". Presented by Carroll Lewis.
8.03 p.m.—Studio—Concert by The Paradise Islanders.
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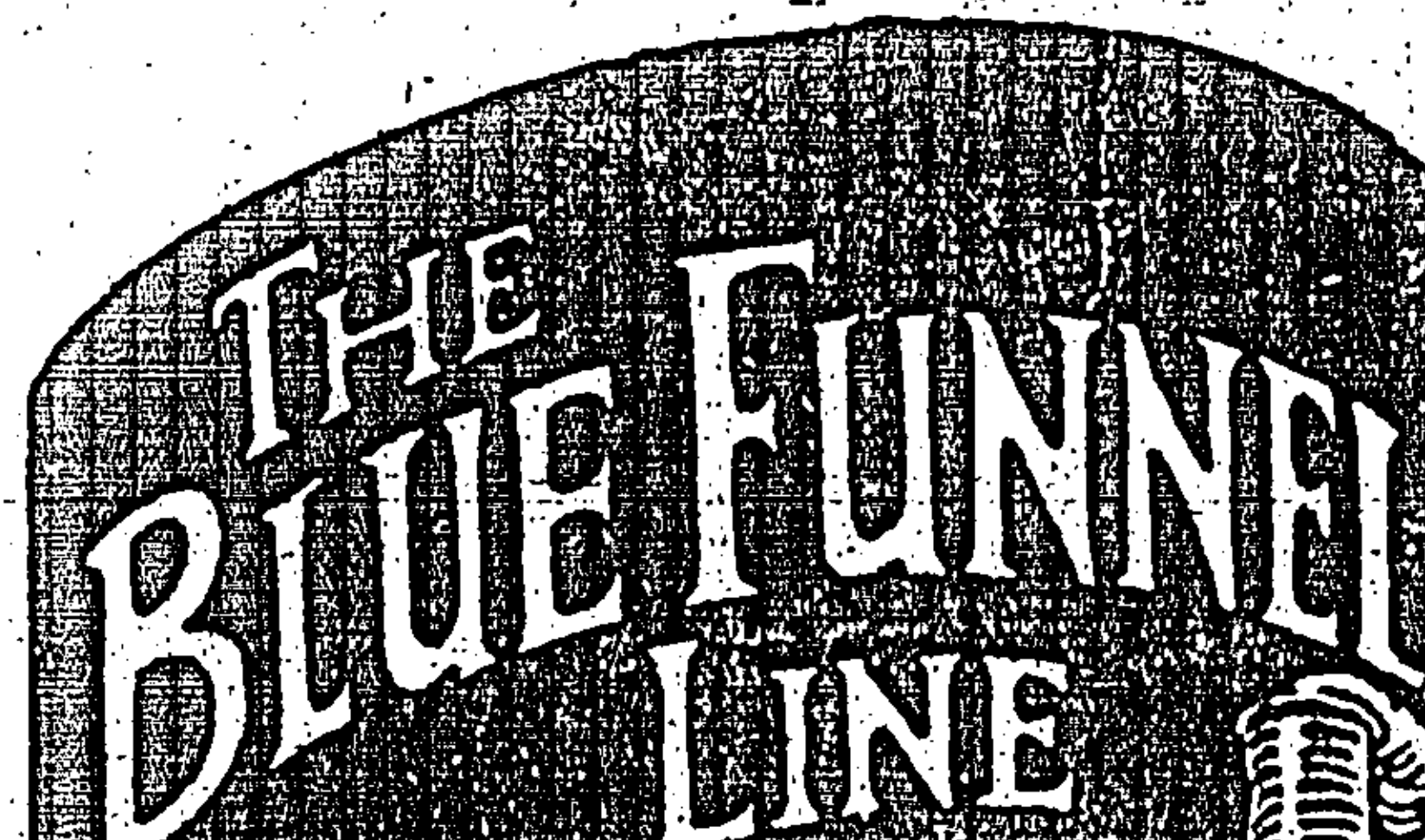
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Mr. Hoo's First Win At The Valley

By "Rapier"

FAVOURER BY FINE weather, which albeit was a bit on the warm side, the Eleventh Extra Race Meeting on Saturday attracted a large crowd, and it was most enjoyable, although marked by inevitable upsets. The grass track was in splendid condition, and most of the events were keenly contested with some close finishes.

Mr. Donald Black scored a personal triumph in riding four winners, all the result of clever judgment, in six outings and is now practically certain to be champion jockey for the 1940 season; he is nine wins ahead of his nearest rival, Mr. P. Y. T. Wei. A feature of Mr. Black's successes was that all were scored on Australian ponies.

Honours among owners went to T. K. L. with 1 win, 1 second and 1 third.

Mr. Hoo's First Valley Win

The first race, the Taipo Stakes for "B" Class China ponies ridden by novice jockeys, gave Mr. Hoo Pak-ming his first win at the Valley. He rode King's Worthy with fine judgment. Zero (Mr. Haymes) took the lead, followed by Arabian Cat (Mr. K. W. Fung) and Geordie (Mr. Wood). This order was maintained until the Rock was reached when Geordie passed Arabian Cat and then came up level with Zero for a while, only them to fade out of the picture. At the distance post Zero was still leading, but Mr. Hoo Pak-ming was seen to come up strongly on the outside to challenge Zero and pass it within 100 yards of the winning post, and go on and win by four lengths, with Lancashire Chap (Mr. S. W. Lee) third, half a length behind Zero.

Exciting Finish

In the Newcastle Handicap for "C" Class Australian ponies, the finish was extraordinarily exciting, and great credit is due to Mr. Black for bringing Shuttlecock in first. Judging from its form at the previous meeting I did not believe it could win.

Rising Star (Mr. Craven) took the lead, followed by A Green Time (Mr. Wei) and Bredon (Mr. Chattey). From the half mile post A Green Time went forward but, on rounding the Village bend, it fell back. Coming down the straight, Mr. Black sent Shuttlecock in front to take the lead with Catterick Bridge hard on its heels; try as he did Mr. Hearne could not overtake Shuttlecock and had to admit defeat by a short head, with Venus Bay (Mr. Needa), the favourite, third another short head behind.

The Main Event

The Hong Kong St. Leger, for China ponies, griffins of this season, was the next event on the programme and only attracted three entries, but it was later left to Dupont Bay (Mr. Hearne) and O-Lan (Mr. Needa), from the same stable, to stage a fine exhibition. Burford, the Champion pony, appeared slightly lame, and on that account its name was withdrawn.

The race was quite interesting all along but the superiority of O-Lan was never in doubt although it only won by a short head, Mr. Needa leaving until the very last moment to snatch his win.

Remarkable Performance

In the New Bridge Handicap (First section) for "B" Class Australian ponies, the finish was again exciting. Brown Derby (Mr. Black) confounded the racing public with a remarkable performance, and its success was responsible for the best win dividend of the day. Fair Chance (Mr. Proulx) went out in front, followed by Rowan (Mr. Hearne) and Flying Dutchman (Mr. P. P. Botelho). On rounding the Village bend Flying Dutchman went up to second place for a short while, Rowan reasserting itself in the straight and regaining second position. Thereafter it appeared likely that Fair Chance and Rowan would fight out the finish; but to the surprise of all Brown Derby went up with a great rush from the outside, and amid great excitement, snatched a grand victory by a short head, with Rowan and Fair Chance in a dead-heat for second place.

Favourite Beaten

In the Castle Peak Handicap (First section) for "D" Class China ponies, which was the first leg of the "Daily Double," the favourite, West Lake, was beaten by Sylvandale by a short head. Portrush (Mr. Chang) got off quickly on the rise of the barrier and took the lead, followed by West Lake (Mr. Chao) and Oomph (Mr. Hoo Pak-ming). At the five furlongs post Mr. Hoo sent Oomph forward with a great rush and led up to the Rock, when it gave up the struggle. Portrush was again ahead coming down the straight, but was overhauled by West Lake. Meanwhile Sylvandale, despite a bad start, was coming up strongly, and, responding to Mr. Tab's pressure, passed Portrush and challenged West Lake. After a great struggle it secured the verdict by a short head. Portrush, four lengths behind, was third.

Mr. Black Again

After his two previous wins Mr. Black on Viceroy was made firm favourite in the New South Wales Handicap for "A" Class Australian ponies; punters were justified in their confidence as Viceroy won without being greatly extended. Connleber (Mr. Chang) took the lead, followed by Lancashire Chips (Mr. Trevorton) and Australian Diamond (Mr. K. W. Fung), but Connleber was overtaken at the Rock by Lancashire Chips and Australian Diamond fell out of the race. Lancashire Chips still led on coming down the straight, but was overhauled near the Public Stands by Viceroy which went on to win by a length. Amicus Curiae made a great effort to catch Lancashire



Chips for second place but failed. Baffin Bay (Mr. Needa), the second favourite, was a great disappointment and was never in the picture.

Derby Day Disappoints

The New Bridge Handicap (Second section) for "B" Class Australian ponies, which was the second leg of the "Daily Double," saw Mr. Black secure another win, when he rode Criffel to a brilliant win over the favourite, Contact (Mr. Needa), by a short head.

Derby Day (Mr. Hearne), the second favourite, was unplaced—a great shock to the racing public as this pony was noted for its sprinting ability over this distance.

Happy Landings (Mr. Davis) went off immediately the barrier was lifted, followed by Cockleroi (Mr. Ip Kui-ying) and Derby Day. After passing the 1-1/4 mile starting gate, Cockleroi dropped out of the race. On rounding the bend Happy Landings was still leading, and it appeared as if it would win, but Mr. Black, who had a bad start, began his challenge at the distance post and, by hard riding on the outside, passed Derby Day, and overhauled and passed Happy Landings. Criffel also passed Happy Landings, a few lengths from the end. Mr. Needa made a belated effort which proved of no avail. An earlier challenge by Mr. Needa might have brought different results: Happy Landings was third. Criffel paid \$57.80 for a winning ticket, the second best dividend of the afternoon, while its 27 "Double" backers each received \$479.70.

Another Favourite Falls

The last race of the day, the Castle Peak Handicap (Second Section) for "D" Class China ponies, saw the failure of another favourite; this time it was Salvage Master (Mr. Tao).

Palmer (Mr. Proulx) took a substantial lead and was followed by The Tigress (Mr. R. K. C. Chui), Salvage Master and Valorous (Mr. Needa), the ultimate winner being in the rear. This order was maintained until the last quarter, when Palmer and The Tigress gave up the struggle. Salvage Master then led as far as the mile post but was overhauled by Piet Hein (Mr. P. P. Botelho), with Valorous, always in striking distance, third. About 50 yards from the winning post, Mr. Needa sent Valorous ahead to overhaul Salvage Master and then fight out the finish with Piet Hein; Valorous had the better of the argument by a length, with Salvage Master third another half length behind.

VICTORIA GOES LAME

By "Rapier"

Victoria, which had been specially kept to represent the Lan Stable in the St. Andrew's Stakes, to be run at the 12th Extra Meeting, went lame this morning.

The pony went out in company with its stable companion Scenic View for a trial gallop, and on completion of the distance it was found to be lame.

The riding boy dismounted after passing the winning post, and the pony was then led back to the stable by a mufou.

Pony Classifications

Following are the latest alterations to the Hong Kong Jockey Club's classification lists dated May 28:

Australian ponies—Brown Derby to A Class; Annabella, Bruno, Cockleroi to C Class; Rising Star, Rooley, Violet Queen to D Class.

China ponies—King's Worthy to D Class.

CHINESE GOVERNOR'S CUP TEAM

Following have been chosen to represent Chinese Federation in the First Round of the Governor's Cup competition against the Association on Sunday at Caroline Hill at 3:45 p.m.

Lee Wai-long, who is still on the injured list as the result of injuries sustained in the Sing Tao-South China game, is a notable absentee from the Chinese team.

Southern China, who are not members of the Federation, were not represented at the meeting last night to choose the team, but they had advised that any players chosen from their club would be at the disposal of the Federation.

Chung Wing-chai, Mau Yung-sang and Lee Tin-sang; Leung Wing-chui, Heu King-sen and Soong Ling-sing; Chung Yung-sum, Fung King-cheong, Chan Tak-fai, Lai Shui-wing and Hau Ching-ho.

RESERVES:—Lau Hui-hon, Tsang Chung-wan, Ng Kee-cheong, Kwok Ying-kee, Wong King-cheong, W. K. Hyui, Tang Kwong-sun, Lau Chung-sang and Chuck Shek-kam.

MANAGERS:—Sze P. wai and Lam Chung-ho.

DJEBEL SENT TO GERMANY

Djebel, winner of this year's Two Thousand Guineas, is now in the hands of the Nazis. According to Paris newspapers he has been sent from France to take up stud duties in Germany.

After his victory in the Two Thousand, M. Marcel Boussac, Djebel's owner, gave orders for the colt to be shipped back to France, the intention being to send him over here again to compete in the Derby in June. Unfortunately for his French owner, Djebel could not return, had he remained in this country he would have started a firm favourite for the substitute Derby won by Pont l'Eveque.

"Y" Hockey Teams

The following teams will represent European Y.M.C.A. at hockey this week:

To-morrow—"A" XI v Combined Medicals (4:45 p.m.)—Benwell, Jordan and Yourieff; Saxby, Coombe and Waldron; Spence, Lay, Gentry, Hitchcock, Morgan and Highlands.

2nd XI v R.A.S.C. (3 p.m.)—Benwell, Jeffrey and Tomlinson; Croft, Gilchrist and Gorman; Macey, Fancey, Dormer, McGahan and Banks.

Players are asked to note that the Thursday match starts at 4:45 sharp.

ARMY RUGBY

Two matches were played yesterday at Sookunpoo in the Army Small Units Rugby League.

Royal Engineers beat 12th Heavy Regiment R.A. by a try (3 points), to nil, scored by Birrell.

In the other game, Royal Scots "B" beat 8th Heavy Regiment R.A. by two tries (6 points) to nil.

Pictou scored both tries for the winners.

K.C.C. TENNIS

Playing in the semi-final of the Kowloon Cricket Club Junior Tennis Championship yesterday, J. R. McWalter, T. Tallon and W. N. A. Mackay beat G. A. Goodban 3-6, 6-0, 6-0. He will now meet A. Gillard in the final.

TROPP AND SHAW IN BIG PARTNERSHIP

Fine bowling by Denyer and Shipp and a big fourth wicket partnership between Tropp and Shaw gave Royal Engineers a big victory over Royal Army Service Corps in a friendly cricket match at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Denyer bowled very well and finished with 6 for 30 after at one period having 5 for 12, while Shipp (4 for 22) took his last two wickets without conceding a run.

Logan, Dewar and Brown were the only R.A.S.C. batsmen to offer any resistance, Dewar being top-scorer with 29.

Sappers started badly and lost their first three wickets for only 28. Tropp, who had gone in first, was then joined by Shaw and these two knocked off the runs without further loss, the partnership, which was unbroken, adding 84 runs.

Tropp's innings was a dour one and his first 35 runs did not include a single four. Shaw hit five boundaries in his 43 not out.

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Tropp	3	0	17	0
Denyer	10	1	30	6
Holliday	3	0	27	0
Shipp	4	0	22	4
Tropp bowled a no ball.				
R.E.				
Spr. Tropp, not out				55
L/Cpl. Pelham, b. Martin				4
Spr. Bailey, b. Martin				0
Sgt. Shipp, b. Denyer				6
L/Cpl. Shaw, not out				43
Extras (W, LB, NB)				
Total				99

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dewar	12	1	53	1
Martin	7	1	26	2
Logan	2	0	13	0
Jones	2	0	16	0
Dewar bowled a no ball.				
R.A. Cricket Team				

R.A. Cricket Team

Royal Artillery will be represented by the following cricket team against Major D. C. E. Grose's eleven at 2 p.m. to-morrow at Sookunpoo:

Capt. G. W. Hook, Capt. P. J. Skipwith, Capt. A. Ingram, Lt. L. J. A. Feiden, 2/Lt. J. L. C. Pearce, 2/Lt. K. A. Allanson, 2/Lt. J. D. Clague, 2/Lt. R. I. Plummer, 2/Lt. E. A. Bompas, Gnr. Barsby and Gnr. Dobbinson.

ARMY RUGBY XV FOR SATURDAY

Following team has been selected to represent the Army against the combined Police and Navy teams at Causeway Bay on Saturday:

Clague, Richards, Douglass, Coombes and Marsh; Hook and Wedderburn; Sutherland, Ford, Bompas, Millar, Cuthbertson, Pinkerton, Duke and Gillham.

Reserves:—McDonald, Foley, Berry and Heath.

SCOTS' BOWLS

The following team has been selected to represent Dundee in a bowls match v. Glasgow & District, on Sunday on the Kowloon Docks Bowling Green, at 2.30 p.m. sharp:

R. Duncan (Skip), A. Calman, H. H. Scott and W. Walker; H. G. Cooper (Skip), A. Soutar, J. Ross and W. L. Clark; J. Orem (Skip), W. S. Dall, G. S. Alexander and J. Gollally; J. C. S. Bender (Skip), J. R. McWalter, T. Tallon and W. McLeod.

Reserves:—W. Harris, J. Headridge, A. Kinnear, W. Cameron and T. Love.



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MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE

GOOD START AND TIGHT FIELDING WIN INDIANS MATCH

By "Grandstand"

BEHIND THE THREE-HIT PITCHING OF FRANKIE "BASHFUL" GONZALES THE SAINTS GAVE THE CYCLONES A 13-2 SHELLACKING, IN WHICH NO STRIKE-OUTS WERE REGISTERED BY EITHER SIDE.

Gonzales went the route for the Collegians, conceding two Annie Oakleys and yielding only three hits in the first three innings.

Bakar's single and a Collegian wild shave gave the Cyclones their first marker, in the third. Their other tally was chalked up in the fourth when first-sacker A. R. Markar, dumped one to sacrifice K. M. Rumjahn. In the fifth, sixth and seventh, the Cyclones fizzled down to a mild summer breeze, when they were retired in one, two, three order, by no run no hit, no error play.

In the absence of Pinky Pineda, Sherry Bux took over mound duties, walked and fanned none, but was combed for 12 safeties, of which Powlawski batted a clean 1,000 in his three trips, with a triple and a single, and the only four-master of the day. "Ozo" Ozorio, Dave Leonard, Henry "Showboat" Ali and George Souza were also good for doubles.

Outbit But Win

Although the mighty Hong Kong Baseballers were outbit by the Canadian Chinese squad, they rang up a 20-10 triumph over the Maple Leafs. Johnson toed the rubber for the victors for four frames and only fanned one Canuck, but he conceded two passes, while relief hurler "Screwball" Jones handed out one walk but whiffed none.

Canuck Herbie Quon, "Wizard of the Whiff", couldn't find the plate for the first two chapters, and issued free transportation to first to no less than five Baseballers, in that time. He soon settled down, however, and displayed a spark of his former brilliance, by accounting for seven Baseballers via the strike-out route.

Hong Kong Baseballers fielded every one of their players, but were guilty of a total of nine bobbles. The big gun of the offensive was third-sacker Fitch who gave the best stickwork performance, in his four times at bat, by clouting two round-trippers and singling, while fleetfoot Joe Reardon stretched a double into a three-bagger.

The Baseballers scored in every frame, except the third when Rowland, Johnson and Cotton filed out in order.

Indian Uprising

A cluster of six runs in the first two frames, highlighted by the tight fielding of the Indian team, sewed the game for them in their triumph over the Recreio Aces by six to four in the night-cap. The Indians staged a three-run uprising in the initial frame, on a hit, an error and a fielder's choice, followed by another three tallies on four bunched up hits, which proved too much for the Recs, although they gamely fought their way back till the seventh, which found them only two runs behind, but it wasn't in the cards.

The first Recreio tally was chalked up in the second, when Tony "Peewee" Alves singled and scored when Bertie Gosano beat out a bunt. Two more runs came in the fifth on as many Indian bobbles, while two successive blows scored Johnnie Alvares, trailing behind six to four in the half of the last stanza, Nick Beltrano and Lino Gosano, both grounded out to Kassa Nazarin, for two outs. Zinho Gosano com-

ing up to bat was given a life by playing manager A. K. Omar, who misjudged his fly to short left, and left Zinho perched on second safely, while Eddie "Doctor" Gosano, in the clean up slot, next at bat, looked at two offerings for two called strikes. With the rabid fans exhorting him to bang a homer to tie the count, Eddie fell for a slow teaser and only connected for a slow bouncer which was scooped up by short-stop Huckjail Kitchell, who tossed him out for the ball game to end.

Kassa Nazarin, toiling on the slab for the Indians, spaced four Recreio hits, walked one, but struck out none, whilst Johnnie Alvares, working for the Recs, although guilty of one wild pitch, struck out one, but was nicked for seven blows. Five Indians and six Recreio Ramblers died on the sacks, whilst keystone keeper Zinho Gosano dished up the only double-killing, unassisted, when he snared Nazarin's line drive and caught Tarzan Ismail off second. Nazarin and Tony Alves were both good for a double apiece.

League Table

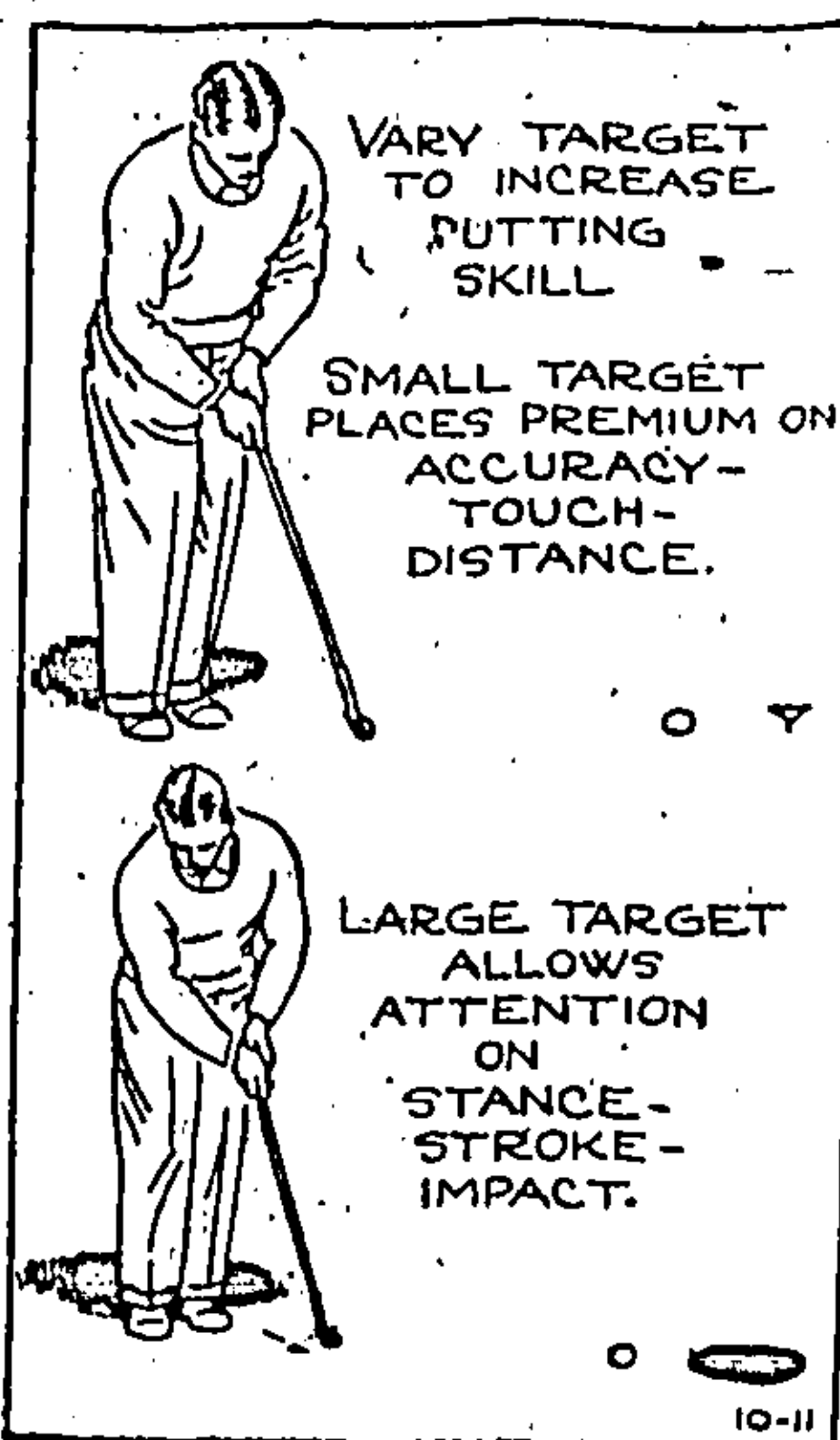
SENIOR LEAGUE

	P.	W.	L.	age	Percent
Cyclones	4	3	1		.750
H.K. Baseballers	4	3	1		.750
St. Joseph's	4	3	1		.750
Chinese Baseball Club	3	2	1		.667
Indian Softball Club	3	2	1		.667
Recreio "A"	4	2	2		.500
Canadian Chinese Club	4	0	4		.000
Filipino Club	4	0	4		.000

GIRLS' LEAGUE

	P.	W.	L.	age	Percent
Canadian Chinese Club	4	0	4		1.000
Wildcats	4	0	4		1.000
Baby Panthers	4	3	1		.750
Wahoos	4	3	1		.750
Cardinals	4	1	3		.250
Recreio Ramblerettes	4	1	3		.250
Chung Hwa	4	0	4		.000
Little Flowers	4	0	4		.000

GRAPHIC GOLF



Increasing Putting Skill

By Best Ball

Varying the target in putting practice is one way of alleviating the tenseness and anxiety which comes from concentrating on stroking the ball to a cup size target for long periods. For example aiming at an objective, the size of a good sized wash bowl in circumference will allow the player to direct his attention to the fundamentals of stroking. Concentrating on the correct stance, the proper swing and accurate impact, the player can stroke the ball with a reasonable assurance that it will end up in the super size cup. This reduces the golfer's anxiety and allows relaxed stroking.

After a reasonable amount of practice at such a target the player can switch to a tee stuck in the green. Here the answer is largely in the precision of touch in stroking accuracy in both line and distance. The carry over of relaxed stroking from the previous assignment however leaves the player free to putt the ball satisfactorily. Many players have found the combination helpful.

NEXT ARTICLE:—Fast Wrist Action.

COLOURFUL U.S. GOLF AMATEUR CHAMPION

MARVIN WARD, the 1939 United States title-holder, recently pulled the best crack of the 47th National Amateur at Winged Foot, writes Harry Grayson from New York.

Commenting on the chance of Warrington Bannerman McCullough, Jr., in the final, Bud Ward remarked: "It would be a novelty to see this championship won by an amateur."

Whereupon Richard Dorval Chapman, who has played golf seven days a week since childhood, proceeded to thump Duff McCullough, Philadelphia automobile parts salesman, 11 and 9, in the most lopsided payoff since Charles E. McDonald lambasted Charles E. Sands, 12 and 11, in the first National Amateur in 1895.

As the new amateur champion, Dick Chapman, the Greenwich socialite, has officials of the United States Golf Association turning handsprings.

Chapman, who leans to the frivolous, repeatedly has said that he wanted to win the crown to capitalise it in radio work and as a night club crooner.

Chapman, who is 20, went on

the wagon and trained a year to scale the heights.

He joined Winged Foot for the express purpose of adapting his game to that exacting course and to get acquainted with its rolling greens. Not once in a full week's play, during which he was eight under par for 157 holes, did he consult his caddy.

Chapman is the son of the late John D. Chapman, the United States senior champion of 1931. John D. Chapman was immensely wealthy, a partner in one of the bigger Wall Street houses, left a huge fortune.

Because of his father's fondness for golf, Dick Chapman was practically raised on courses.

Yet the play of Dick Chapman, the new amateur champion, is strictly unorthodox. He looks like

a knacker. Off his game, he is as likely to shoot a 90 as a 69. He's a golfer in a hurry... a dashing young man full of nervous energy, brilliant shots and inexplicable misses, but capable of keeping himself up to fire strokes.

The answer to Chapman's success is that he's a fighter, a great scrambler and a remarkable putter. He only has to be around the green to maintain a string of birdies and pars.

When he was eliminated by Sandy Somerville in the third round at Glenview's North Shore a year ago, Chapman publicly announced his training programme.

He predicted he would not only capture the 1940 championship but would take the medal as well.

If he never does another thing, he always will have to be bracketed with the only four other players—illustrious names—who have won both match and medal honours—Jerome Travers, Harold Hilton, Chandler Egan and Robert Tyre Jones.

Dick Chapman no doubt will settle for that.

And meanwhile, the United States Golf Association has an interesting and colourful personality as its amateur champion.

Miss I. Castilho Crashes Homer

By "Grandstand"

IN THE SOFTBALL League curtain-raiser at Chatham Road on Sunday, the Wahoos registered a 29-6 triumph over the Little Flowers, who appeared lost in the absence of their Coach Johnnie Fonseca.

All the Wahoo reserves were put into the fray and among them, rookie "Cocomalt" Yolle was the most outstanding; besides a brilliant catch she singled safely in both her trips to the plate.

Ida Castro, in her first pitching assignment, limited the Florinhas to only three scattered hits, walked two and fanned four, in her four innings of pitching. Jeannette "Blondie" Yolle, relieving her in the fifth, struck out three. Lily Silva, lone hurler of the Florinhas fanned five and dished up some good fielding, especially when she picked Socoro "Soso" Castro's line drive from the air with her bare hand. Irene Castilho clouted the only four-bagger of the fracas with none aboard.

For the Little Flowers, first sacker Socoro. Sequeira connected for three safeties in her three trips, but was rather shaky in her fielding, fumbling no less than six times.

A heavy bombardment of eight hits, which netted them 12 runs in the fourth, and another spurge of seven markers in the fifth, salted away the game for the Wahoos.

As predicted by this corner, the Baby Panthers proved too good for the Cardinals, and trimmed them to the tune of 10-7 in the record-breaking time of under an hour for the full seven innings.

Making effective use of their base-burgling, the Pantherettes scored almost every time a runner got on base.

In the Cardinals' last time at bat Marie Roza singled safely, but was nabbed when she attempted to pilfer second. Rosita Bagalawis fled out for the second out. Marina Lavadia, pinch-hitting for Linda Fernandes, singled, but Betty Clarke grounded out to end the game.

The longest hit of the tussle was Rosita Bagalawis' Ruthian clout, when she banged in a round-tripper in her first time-up. Rosita was also good for a triple.

The Wildcats won their fourth straight by pummeling the Recreio Ramblerettes for 25 runs to 7. "Sluggo" Irene Pereira again

took batting honours with her three safeties in her four times with the stick.



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R.A.F. CAUSES CHAOS AT KRUPPS

Essen Production Reduced By Fifty Per Cent

Bombs Wreck Underground Workshops

PRODUCTION AT KRUPPS, THE BIG GERMAN MUNITIONS WORKS AT ESSEN, HAS BEEN REDUCED 50 PER CENT. AS THE RESULT OF R.A.F. RAIDS, IT WAS STATED IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

Some departments have been closed and others have had to be moved. The works are now having great difficulties in obtaining regular supplies of raw materials because of transport troubles caused by wrecked railway junctions.

These sections of the factory have been hit and put out of commission and one particularly heavy bomb penetrated to the underground workshops before exploding and wrecking the place.

These examples of the accuracy of R.A.F. bombers were given by the Air Ministry news service which stated that news now reaching Britain indicated the growing disruption of industry in cities in western Germany as the result of R.A.F. raids.

Four large buildings of the Union Chemical factory on an island at the junction of the Oder and Moelle Rivers at Stettin have been wrecked.

At Hanover the biggest oil refinery is completely destroyed and the Deutsche Vacuum Oil Company's factory at Bremen is out of production.

"Europa" Hit

THE EUROPA, GERMANY'S BIGGEST LINER, IS REPORTED

TO HAVE BEEN HIT AMIDSHIPS WHILE IN DOCK THERE. Damage to the power house of the Fokker works at Amsterdam stopped production there for some weeks.

It is stated that despite Nazi efforts at secrecy, harvests in many parts of the country are rotting where they lie ungathered in the fields, disorganisation of transport being so acute that sufficient workers cannot be taken to the fields nor crops moved to store.

For example, at Magdeburg, the gathering of wheat and potato crops in Saxony has been brought to a standstill. This, it is stated, is causing concern to farmers who will be unable to clear the ground

FIRE ABOARD NEW-AMERICAN BATTLESHIP

Fire broke out on board the United States battleship South Dakota, under construction in the yards of the New York Shipbuilding Company at Camden, New Jersey, yesterday, but was soon got under control.

Three workmen are reported missing in the smoke filled hold and at least seven others were overcome by smoke.—Reuter.

in time for next year's planting.

Refugees On Move

Throughout Germany refugees are finding means to avoid the official ban and are evacuating themselves out of reach of the long arm of the R.A.F.

Many of them are making for Austria and particularly Vienna, where the food situation is reported to be becoming acute and where they are not welcomed by the Viennese.

Ill-feeling appears to be growing and demonstrations against German refugees are frequently reported.—Reuter.

NOTHING TO REPORT

"On all fronts nothing to report" yesterday's G.H.Q. communiqué in Cairo stated, says Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Mr. Harold Vanderbilt, holder of the America's Cup, is to serve as Chairman of the Greek-American Committee organised to aid the Greeks with food and medical supplies; according to an announcement by the Greek consulate in New York yesterday. Several hundred Greeks in the United States have volunteered to go and fight for their homeland but the problem is how to send them to Greece.—Reuter.

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